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Dancers from Haliburton Dance Arts perform a number titled Distortion during the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Tribute Show on Dec. 22. The show included a number of performances including dances, solos and comedy sketches from a wide range of students and residents of the community.

Angelica Blenich  
Staff

# Hospital temporarily suspends visits



Haliburton facility exercises caution after four patients get contagious stomach flu

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

encouraging visitors to stay away from the facility until an outbreak of the Noro virus has been contained.

Symptoms of the virus first appeared amongst four of the hospital's patients on Dec. 23, according to Paul Rosebush, CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Best described as a stomach flu, patients in acute care were suffering from symptoms that included vomiting and diarrhea prior to Christmas.

Since the outbreak was confirmed, officials

at HHHS are suspending visitation to all hospital patients, allowing emergency visits only, said Rosebush.

"The problem is it's highly contagious, so we have to take maximum precautions as soon as anybody gets sick," said Rosebush.

As soon as patients display symptoms of the virus they are isolated, said Rosebush.

Since the outbreak began, three of the four patients have recovered from the virus.

Health officials at the Haliburton hospital are

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# HCDC receives \$2 million from federal government

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

It's a happy new year for the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

The corporation will be receiving nearly \$2 million in funding through the federal government's Eastern Ontario Development Program.

The official announcement is to be made on Jan. 11.

The funding approval was welcome news to HCDC executive director Andy Campbell.

"The program has many elements," Campbell said, explaining its two main components are its community development and business development streams.

For-profit businesses can apply for funding for services

such as skills training, consultant services and the hiring of interns.

Not-for-profit organizations as well as municipalities can apply through the community development stream for funding to help with events or projects.

"That allows us to contribute to the economic development of Haliburton County," Campbell said.

Some recent examples are the \$15,000 Algonquin Highlands was approved for towards the creation of development plan for the Stanhope Airport and the \$10,000 provided to the Haliburton County Swimming Pool Initiative for its market feasibility study on an indoor pool for the community.

The federal government has announced \$30 million in EODP funding for the next three years and Haliburton County's share of that will be approximately \$1.9 million.

Each of the 15 development corporations in the eastern part of the province will be receiving the same amount.

The six-year-old program had been put on hold due to the spring's federal election, but was included in the Conservative government's budget and has been approved for renewal.

"When the election was called, all bets were off," Campbell said. "It's gone through that evaluation period and received good grades."

The public can expect to see advertising for the program shortly and Campbell said information sessions will be held in Minden and Haliburton on dates yet to be announced.

Applicants that are approved can expect to see funding begin to flow in April.

## Snow causes 16 car accidents in county

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Heavy snowfall in the county over 24 hours last week was cause for collision.

The Haliburton Highlands OPP responded to 16 vehicle crashes between Dec. 27 and 28.

These incidents ranged from cars in ditches to minor collisions, said Const. Sandy Adams, who added there have been no major injuries.

The collisions have taken place throughout the county and most occurred between 3 p.m. Dec. 27 and midnight, during the time of the heaviest snowfall.



### Scenic snowscape

Downtown Haliburton, as Highland Street is shown here, was blanketed in snow after an evening snowstorm left much of the county covered, with people digging out for most of the morning Dec. 28.

Darren Lum Echo staff



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## Dysart wishes for the new year

**Jenn Watt**  
Editor

The beginning of the new year is a good time to evaluate what worked well in the past and plan for challenges in the future. Heading into 2012, we asked Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey and Deputy-reeve Bill Davis three questions about what they're looking forward to.

1. What has been the biggest accomplishment of, or in, your municipality in 2011?
2. What are the biggest challenges facing your municipality this coming year?
3. What are you looking forward to in 2012?

### Reeve Murray Fearrey

1. 2011 was gratifying in that we were able to initiate some housing starts and commitments on more, namely Granite Cove and the seniors social housing complex.

2. The biggest challenge for 2012 is to move forward with projects like streetscape that we are committed to, however bearing in mind the importance of providing reasonable service levels at an affordable tax

rate.

3. I am looking forward to seeing housing projects complete and others underway, Highland Street nearing completion and Tim Hortons finally becoming a reality.



### Deputy-reeve Bill Davis

1. We finished phase one of redoing the downtown core on York Street. The next accomplishment was to meet with the province and get the local member of the time to put 1/3 [funding] of the major project, streetscape. I know we're going to have to come to the table with some money for that,

but it's a worthwhile project and it's going to be completed in this term of council, I hope. Another major coup - we finally convinced the City of Kawartha Lakes that they had to build some units up here. We have a major problem, the numbers showed it. We're getting 24 [affordable housing units] and that's a step in the right direction, but it's a long way from being what we need at this point in time.

2. The biggest challenge a municipality now has is the times that we're in now are very tough times. It's going to be hard to raise some money for a lot of things that we want to do. We have to be frugal with our money.

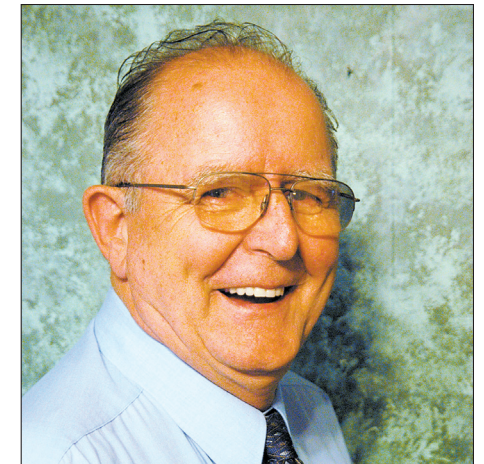
We have to really, really prioritize what we have to do and what we can do. The bottom line is you have to think of the taxpayer.

3. I'm looking for faith in both levels of government (provincial and federal). They have operated together very well in the last year and a half. When times got tough, the Tories and the Liberals got together and said we've got to keep the economy going. It was the right thing.

We're going to have to fund our priorities. The first thing to do is to reassess what we thought we would like to do. We're going

to have to look at asking the province and asking the partners to come to the table. If we don't need it, if it isn't a priority, we shouldn't deviate.

Sit down and do a budget based on information you have at that point in time. Things change but I always believe if a boat left a port and are going to another port the captain keeps that ship on line. Whatever we're going to do, we have to be like that captain of the ship: don't be jumping all over the place. Hopefully there will be some [money]. We have our local economy, but it's a global problem that we have.



## Food bank remains in Wilberforce until summer

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The Word of Life outreach centre will continue to run a food bank in Wilberforce into 2012, despite some recent mixed messages.

The centre has been operating for the past six years under the direction of Clara Burt and a team of volunteers.

In July of this year, Burt told Highlands

East council the outreach centre would be downsizing in September and moving part of its operations to Highland Grove, where they would be accepting clothing and household donations.

Plans to move the food bank component from Wilberforce to Highland Grove have since changed, said Burt.

"We'll probably still be in Wilberforce until next summer," said Burt.

The building where the Wilberforce outreach centre is located is currently for sale,

said Burt, thus spurring the move to Highland Grove.

The Wilberforce centre will move once the building has been sold, according to Burt.

The Wilberforce location of the outreach centre accepts food donations and distributes to those in need on Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The food bank can be reached at a new number, 705-448-9406. It remains at its current location of 2289 Loop Rd., across from

Agnew's General Store.

The Highland Grove centre is located across from the library and can be reached at the same number as above.

Its hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through to Saturday.

In an emergency situation the outreach centre can be contacted at any time at 705-448-3359.

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# Snowmobile season just a few flakes away

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

One more solid snowfall and some holding cold temperatures and snowmobilers should find themselves on Haliburton County's trails before long.

Sledders were closer to revving up after last week's snowstorm and Haliburton County Snowmobile Association president Joachim Matysek was feeling optimistic about this year's snowmobile season.

"We're a little bit behind in doing the packing of the trails, but otherwise, it's on par," Matysek said. "Traditionally now, we don't snowmobile a whole lot during Christmas anymore. If we get another storm like we just had, we'll start packing the trails."

HCSA volunteers have already been out clearing trails of windfall and checking signage.

Matysek was excited about a new trail opening in Minden that will provide riders a connection from the "slaughterhouse trail" east of town to trails near the arena on the west.

Passing through a series of private properties, the trail is a project spearheaded by Minden Hills council and part of a strategy to revitalize snowmobiling in the township that was introduced last March.

"It's exciting for us and it's exciting for the town of Minden as well," Matysek said. "[Reeve] Barb Reid has been

instrumental. She's been the driving force there."

The new trail represents a "vast improvement" for snowmobiling in Minden, Matysek said.

In recent years, riders have had to rely on road running – driving their machines down streets – to get through the village.

"It wasn't good for anybody," Matysek said. "It wasn't good for the automobiles, it wasn't good for the snowmobilers, it wasn't good for the pedestrians . . . no one was happy. [The new trail] looks like a win-win situation all around."

The association is also looking to reopen a trail, closed for five or six years now, that connects Minden to Orillia.

"There's a district down there's that's very keen on having riders come up our way," said Matysek, explaining he's been in talks with members of Mid Ontario Snowmobile Trails.

Membership is looking strong for the association, with approximately 1,800 passes sold for the emerging season.

"There was a decline for a few years, but things seem to have stabilized," Matysek said, adding based on some research he's done, he's hoping this year might see an increase in riders compared to the last few. "Snowmobiling has its peaks and valleys and I think we're coming up the hill again."

A nine-member board of directors along with another 11 or so volunteers make the association go around.

For the past few years, trail-grooming has been carried

out by paid operators, who do the grooming at night.

"It's safer, from an operations point of view, because people can see the lights," Matysek said, adding that trails also set better at night.

Nowadays, riders typically park their machines by 10 p.m. or so.

"In days gone by, they used to ride until the wee hours of the morning, but that's all changed," Matysek said.

The HCSA is always looking for more people interested in helping it operate.

"We always appreciate people getting involved because it is driven by volunteers," Matysek said, adding that any engineers who might like to help the association out with the bridges it oversees would be especially welcome.

Anyone interested can visit [www.hcsa.on.ca](http://www.hcsa.on.ca).

The Haliburton County Rail Trail is typically the first thoroughfare to be opened by the association, then the Gelert trail into Minden.

"From there, we sort of branch out with the system," Matysek said.

The association maintains 350 kilometres of trails within the county, 125 of which are located within Minden Hills.

While he's optimistic the upcoming season, Matysek was reluctant to speculate on a date when trails might start opening.

"That's all subject to weather," he said. "You can have something in the back of your head, but there's no use in saying it. That's just subject to Mother Nature."

## JDHES students have fun day of skating before the break



**Darren Lum** Staff

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School students show their holiday spirit, taking turns pushing each other and laughing the morning away while skating on the last day before the start of the two-week break at the Dysart Arena on Friday, Dec. 23.



Teacher Ed Poropat helps a student with a helmet.



The day included spending time with peers and watching movies at the school on Dec. 23.





Angelica Blenich Staff

Bryan Baker, first vice president, branch manager and investment advisor for CIBC Wood Gundy presents Marg Cox, executive director of the Point in Time Centre for Children Youth and Parents with a cheque for \$12,000 on behalf of CIBC Children's Foundation.

## CIBC gives to kids

"The CIBC Children's Foundation is a registered charity responsible for distributing funds raised on CIBC Miracle Day and was founded on the belief that by working with our clients, employees and children's charities, we can make a difference to children in need," said Bryan Baker of CIBC upon giving Point in Time \$12,000.

Marg Cox knows that money donated by CIBC Children's Foundation will be instrumental:

"We are currently experiencing funding shortfalls in our recreation and summer camp programs. Accordingly, this money has been targeted for summer programs such as the Summer Adventure Day Camp; for sending children in need to residential local camps; for increasing recreational opportunities such as the Point in Time After School Recreation Program in Minden, Wilberforce and Cardiff; and, for respite care of children with special

needs.

"Thank you on behalf of all the children and youth who will benefit."

# Did Santa Forget???



We all know he is getting a little older and, well, can sometimes forget things. Perhaps you did not receive a **Highlands Summer Festival** Season Pass in your Christmas stocking. Well, there is still time to purchase yours at pre-Christmas prices. Passes are available by calling the Highlands Summer Festival Box office for details: **705-457-9933**. Five production pass--\$110. The Highlands Opera Studio Passes just \$67.50 for three performances. Call now, (before you forget), because the sale ends January 15.

## Outbreak no cause for alarm

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"As of this morning we only have one patient confirmed with the virus," said Rosebush on Dec. 30.

Limited visitation will remain in place at the hospital until there are no longer any signs of the virus amongst all patients. Once that occurs, it will be three days before visitors can enter the facility, said Rosebush.

"The good thing is we've managed to keep the virus contained to our acute care department only," he said.

With good precautions in place the virus outbreak should not be cause for alarm, said the CEO.

"We do treat sick people here and unfortunately sometimes the viruses come in and then we spring to action," he said.

To date the outbreak has only appeared



**The good thing is we've managed to keep the virus contained to our acute care department only.**

— Paul Rosebush,  
HHHS CEO

at the Haliburton hospital, according to Rosebush.

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# points of view

## Reliable service

**W**ILBERFORCE NEEDS A long-term, reliable food bank.

While donations to the Haliburton 4Cs and the Minden Food Bank poured in over the Christmas season, many wondered if the Wilberforce food bank would even be open for the holidays.

Turns out that it was, but its future in the hamlet is still uncertain.

Run by Clara Burt of Word of Life, a Christian organization, the current food bank and clothing store has been slowly gravitating to Highland Grove, a much smaller community.

The building that currently operates the food bank is for sale and Burt originally said that would mean the food bank would close in December.

Now she thinks she might have until the summer before she has to move everything to the new location.

It's clear that Burt is doing what she can to continue to provide a service to those who need food and clothing, but a village the size of Wilberforce needs to have a service that is stable and reliable.

That service should also be within the village boundaries so those with limited access to transportation can

walk to it, or at least schedule a visit along with other activities in town.

A few years ago, the 4Cs offered to open a branch in Tory Hill.

Council wasn't keen on the proposal as it wasn't in a well-populated centre and the 4Cs wasn't interested in locating anywhere but Tory Hill because it is the geographic centre of Highlands East.

Perhaps it's time to revisit that concept.

Having a solid base of volunteers to draw upon

and a trusted organization with years of experience could go a long way in Wilberforce.

The Minden Food Bank also has a connection to Highlands East, as it had a hand in establishing the Cardiff Food Bank, which it is still affiliated with.

It, too, could be a resource in establishing a food bank.

The need in all of the county's hamlets is deep and there is no question that social services should be present for all of those in poverty.

While it is good news that the current food bank won't be leaving during year's worst months, something should be done to ensure the village has something people can depend upon year round.



**Jenn Watt**  
Editor



Winter wonderland

photo by Darren Lum

## Yoga in every corner of the county

**G**ORDON TIMBERS IS a handsome young man who grew up in Haliburton and is the son of Stu and Heather Timbers.

Currently he is an associate golf professional and works as a manager of The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge Golf Club. Gordon called me because he was home for Christmas and is trying to learn more about yoga to help him with some injuries he is working with from a car accident that he had a few years ago.

He regularly sees a physiotherapist and gets massages, but wants to add yoga in as another tool for pain management, and he also sees other golf professionals using yoga to maintain their overall flexibility, strength and balance.

It was fun to work with Gordon because he is an athlete who needs his entire body to work well in order to do his sport, and because he is an athlete, he is used to getting very precise instructions on where/ how to place his body (hand here, foot here, etc.) and can respond.

Gordon and I had a class, and a great conversation about the benefits of yoga for people of all ages and abilities, the many types of yoga that exist today and how to find the best instructor for you. Gordon was amazed to learn that there are yoga teachers in every corner of Haliburton County. There is a teacher, a style and a location for everyone.

Gail Holness has her own home studio in Donald, and teaches classes in Minden and in Kinmount. Gail is very intuiti-

tive in the way that she teaches, and uses great music to accompany her classes. Her website is [www.holness-yoga.com](http://www.holness-yoga.com) or you can call her at 705-455-9294.

Heather Manusco moved to Haliburton a couple of years ago and teaches a Vinyasa style of yoga. She currently has classes at the West Guilford Community Centre, Kennis Lake, Haliburton Dance Arts and she also does classes for the students at Sir Sandford Fleming College. Her website is [shakticreations.net](http://shakticreations.net) or you can call her at 705-935-1604.

Nesta Falladown is new to our county, but not new to yoga. She is an Iyengar Yoga teacher who started and ran a yoga studio in Burlington for many years, and has moved to Wilberforce and created a lovely studio in her own home. She teaches in the Iyengar style, and also specializes in therapeutic and restorative yoga. Her website is [www.northstaryoga.ca](http://www.northstaryoga.ca) or you can call her at 705-448-1597. Yoga is available in Dorset with Ingrid Bittner and she can be reached at 705-783-1619.

And of course I have a series of yoga and qigong classes happening at the Blue Sky Yoga Studio in downtown Haliburton and my website is [www.haliburtonyoga.com](http://www.haliburtonyoga.com). It is great news that there are so many possibilities for classes, workshops, retreats, customized programs and different styles of yoga in Haliburton County. It all supports us in healthy living. I wish everyone who reads the *Echo* a healthy and happy new year.



**Lynda Shadbolt**  
Tales from The Great Green Meadow



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# points of view

## Humble pie

**I**F I HAVE LEARNED ANYTHING over the years – aside from the pitfalls of wearing zippered pants while going commando – it is that true genius is never fully appreciated in its time. Sometimes, as in the case of spray-on hair, it is because the idea is so revolutionary that it changes the accepted way of doing things. (Which, prior to this, was paying your barber to tell others that he got distracted and made a horrible mistake.) Other times, the idea is rejected because people are simply afraid of change – regardless of how it will improve upon the status quo. Such was the case last Tuesday at 11:06 a.m.



**Steve Galea**  
Loon Tales

“Eureka!” I screamed, as we drove past an empty newspaper box.

Jenn, who likely sensed that we were on the brink of something huge, much in the same way that cats sense the onset of horrible natural disasters, immediately pretended to be asleep – which would have been far less disconcerting had she not been the one at the wheel.

“Eureka!” I bellowed again. “You realize, I can do this all day, right?”

“Did you say something?” she replied.

And so it was at that historic moment that I chose to announce my idea to make better use of empty newspaper boxes.

“Meat pies?” she finally exclaimed. “You want to use them to sell meat pies?”

Judging by her prolonged silence, I’m guessing she was wondering why she didn’t think of it first.

“It’s funny how sometimes the most brilliant ideas are the most obvious ones, huh?” I mused.

Jenn just looked at me in what I can only imagine is awe. And it occurred to me that, till that point, she probably thought I was merely another pretty face.

“We’ll be rich,” I continued. Then I explained how we would buy newspaper boxes and stock them with meat pies until there was not one corner of the country where a person couldn’t buy a good and conveniently placed meat pie.

“Have you never heard of vending machines or freezers?” she sputtered.

“Vending machines? Freezers? On street corners?” I snickered. “No offense but that’s the silliest idea I’ve ever heard.”

“Huh?” she replied.

“I mean the cost of extension cords alone would make the idea prohibitively expensive,” I said.

“I can’t believe I’m participating in this discussion,” she answered, “but here goes: how do you plan on keeping the meat pies in your newspaper boxes from spoiling?”

I then explained my business model in which we would just sell frozen meat pies in the winter and hot ones in July and August.

It’s probably not productive to describe the rather abrupt end to our conversation – other than to say that I suspect Jenn has something against being rich. And that I refuse to get psychological testing.

I only mention the incident because it just goes to show you the hurdles that all great genius must cross before it is accepted by others. Let’s face it, if Sir Isaac Newton’s significant other was around when that apple fell on his head, she would have taken him to the local doctor for some leeching immediately after he began to explain gravity.

And so it is with my meat pie idea. In the end, I guess the world is not ready for this.

But really? Freezers? Vending machines? That’s the problem these days – everybody just wants to think outside of the box.



### pic of the past

**V**iew of Highland Lodge, Haliburton, Ont. Submitted by Grant and Mary McCracken. If you have a pic of the past you’d like to submit, please bring it into the *Echo* at 146 Highland Street.

### letters to the editor

## Thank an officer

To the Editor,

Driving my school bus, while on duty delivering kids home for their last trip of this year, I was waved over by a police officer, “festive ride check. Have you had anything to drink today?”

I said absolutely not.

“Any booze in your vehicle today?”

I said, no sir you’re welcome to check.

He then said I could be on my way.

In retrospect of what happened I thought, why would he be asking me, a school bus driver? And then it was very obvious. No matter what vehicle we drive, be it a car, bus, ambulance, or 18-wheeler. We all must follow the same rule on the same roads, for everyone’s safety. So in concluding I would like to, and others should as well, thank an officer for diligently doing his or her job.

Without prejudice, we are grateful to have these officers who don’t allow any vehicle go past with an immunity necklace on.

All are judged equally in the end.

**Joe Davis**  
Haliburton

## Sorry Mr. Johnson

To the Editor,

*“I believe that once elected, an MPP represents all of the residents in their riding,” Rick Johnson, Echo, page 8/9, Dec. 27, 2011.*

Sorry Mr. Johnson, the best that you or any MPP can do is represent the people who voted for him or her. In Ms. Scott’s case that is 24.9 per cent of the HKLB electorate or 45.3 per cent of those who actually voted.

You outlined the Liberal program to its best advantage and that is what we should expect from Ms. Scott, the PC program as well, but nothing more. The majority, as you point out, have different ideas. The largest number, 45 per cent, did not vote. 24.9 per cent voted for the PC party. 18.4 per cent voted for you or your party. 9.5 per cent voted NDP. The remainder, 2.2 per cent, voted Green or others including a small number of declined or damaged ballots.

The point of all this is simply to underline that there are a number of different ideas and no majority idea. In this situation it is most essential that the various ideas are fairly represented as indeed they are not now.

Let’s lay to rest this idea that any MPP can represent the entire electorate in any riding. It’s impossible!

**Jim Milne**  
Haliburton

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to editor@haliburtonecho.ca**



# MP, MPP support health-care transfer growth

**Dave Flaherty**  
QMI Agency

Local MP Barry Devolin and MPP Laurie Scott both agree with a federal government plan to change how health-care funding is transferred to provinces after 2016.

Last week, federal Minister of Finance Jim Flaherty announced that health-care transfers for the provinces would continue to grow by six per cent until 2016.

However, after that, the increase in transfers from year-to-year would be based on a combination of Canada's inflation rate and the economic growth rate of a province.

Some provincial finance ministers, including Ontario's Dwight Duncan, decried the decisions, stating it would lead to severe cuts in health-care services in the future.

However, Devolin said while after 2016 there would not be an automatic six-per-cent increase, it does not mean cuts to

health-care transfers.

"While the increase may be closer to three to four per cent, we are not cutting health-care transfers," Devolin said.

"We think it is responsible," he said, adding that it gives provinces time to plan for the changes.

"I think Flaherty's logic was giving a lot of lead time," Devolin said. "I'm pretty comfortable explaining what we did and why we did it."

He added that since the Conservatives

took power in 2006, Ontario received more than 50 per cent in transfers than it did from prior federal governments.

Scott said provinces can't just expect to receive the six per cent increase every year.

"I think they're all throwing wads and wads of money at health care," Scott said.

She believes it is time to take a hard look at health-care costs.

"It's kind of him [Flaherty] telling us we had to look at it," Scott said.

## Arts vending website launch session planned

*MadeinHaliburton.ca Information Session*

Jan. 5 at The Wild Moose

Wigamog Road, Haliburton

2 to 5 p.m. - presentation at 3 p.m.


Complimentary refreshments - stay for

dinner afterwards and chat with committee members - special \$10 menu available.

MadeinHaliburton.ca is expected to launch March 1 and will sell products created in the Haliburton Highlands to an international marketplace through the

Internet. Their information session on Jan. 5 will be held in order to explain the model to artists in the community who may wish to sell their products online. The website will initially support individuals who work in the visual arts, performing arts and literary arts. Additional art categories such as

culinary arts are hoped to be added in the not too distant future. They hope to also sell tickets to local events and performances of all kinds. Individuals will be able to pick up an application form and learn the particulars of the agreement with the online gallery and marketplace.



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# business

## Haliburton day spa gets new owner and a makeover

➤ Sharon Rowden hopes to treat customers to relaxation and a Touch of Class

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

Sharon Rowden has a touch of class. Rowden, 38, is the new owner of Touch of Class day spa, formerly Magic Touch, located at 28 York St. in Haliburton Village.

Working and living in Haliburton for the past 20 years and cottaging in the area since she was seven, Rowden officially took over the spa on Nov. 1.

For Rowden, a wife and mother of two boys, the decision to purchase the business was a dream come true.

Since its new ownership the day spa has received a facelift, including new décor and a larger selection of items, which can be purchased. Other elements, such as staff, services offered and prices have remained the same.

Rowden has big plans down the road for the day spa, which include turning it into a sanctuary of relaxation, complete with a hot tub, sauna and a larger facility.

"I'm in it for the long haul," she said.

A family tie sparked changing the name of the spa.

"My husband came up with it. My father-in-law is a truck

driver and his very first truck was called Touch of Class. It just goes because a spa is all about touch," said Rowden.

Hours of operation are Tuesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Touch of Class is located at 28 York St.

For more information call 705-457-5043 or visit [www.touchofclassds.com](http://www.touchofclassds.com).



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Touch of Class Day Spa owner Sharon Rowden is excited about owning a new business. She purchased the spa formerly known as Magic Touch on Nov. 1.

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# The little instrument that could

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**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Play it and you'll see.

It is the prevailing theme for anyone that has what is often described as a love affair with the ukulele.

Gone are the days when the instrument had a close tie to musicians and performers such as Tiny Tim and Don Ho, as established rockers have made the instrument cool such as Eddie Vedder with the album, *Ukulele Songs*, which was released this past summer.

Today's affection stems from its multi-faceted personality: simple to learn and, yet capable (in the right hands) to render audiences dumbfounded by its brilliance in executing nuanced and emotive music.

There are obvious portability advantages since it is at least half of the size of a guitar, including the relative affordability of a good quality ukulele that can start as little as \$100.

People all over the Highlands, closet and openly known players of the ukulele alike are invited to share and learn with the unique offering of a ukulele orchestra at the upcoming Winter Folk Camp.

The camp is organized by the Haliburton County Folk Society and will be held at Camp Wanakita, located just a few minutes from Haliburton from March 2 to 5. The weekend workshop also includes choir, songwriting, playing the blues, fingerstyle guitar and fiddle along with out-

doors winter activities.

Musician Eva Goldberg will lead the ukulele orchestra and is excited to be part of it. She doesn't have a simple explanation for her love of the ukulele.

"It has a certain charm to it. When you first start playing the instrument you kind of fall in love with it," she said. "There's something about it that is very beguiling, deceptively simple, but really enchanting."

Goldberg, who has played the guitar all her life, said the ukulele's origins exist in the import of the Portuguese Braga to Hawaii more than a hundred years ago, which was then adapted by the Hawaiian people to create the ukulele that is key to many Hawaiian songs.

Now Goldberg meets up with three ukulele playing groups weekly, numbering close to 80 musicians in Toronto and describes the recent surge in popularity as its third coming. Goldberg is among a respected group of artists in residence that will lead programs at the workshop that includes Ken Whiteley and Sandra Swannell.

Like its cousin the guitar, there is an entire family of ukuleles. It includes, but is not limited to, the four classic types such as the soprano, concert (alto), tenor and baritone. There are also bango, resonator and archtop ukuleles.

Most ukuleles will have four strings, which are easily covered by the fingers on a hand, as opposed to a guitar that can have four to 12 strings.

Goldberg said as a child she started with the guitar and it was just a few years ago while visiting with friend and fellow workshop artist in residence Whitely that she was introduced to the instrument during a party.

Kris Kadwell, who has played guitar for most of his life, recently took up the instrument after he won a bango-ukulele during an auction at a music festival.

Wherever he goes to play music informally, the guitar is a common sight and so to play the ukulele is to not only bringing a distinctive sound, but a supplemental sound to the group.

"It's got a nice, sweet, sort of melodic sound, which I love," he said. "It's an easier instrument, regarding everything – easier to play, easier to reach chords. It's only got four strings, but it doesn't detract from its complexity."

He first played when he was in Grade 7 and played for a year before his long hiatus from the instrument. The local host of *Paddling Beyond the Main Stream*, which airs on Canoe FM radio in Haliburton on Thursday nights, describes the ukulele as the perfect "gateway" instrument, opening the doors towards playing other string instruments.

Thom Lambert, artistic director of the workshop, admits there have only been a handful of pre-registered participants, but knows at least 10 people expected to add their names later.

Lambert understands not everybody



**Darren Lum** Staff

Local music aficionado and radio show host, Kris Kadwell, sings while playing his ukulele, which he refers to as a "gateway instrument" towards playing other string instruments. Kadwell is excited for the upcoming 2012 Winter Folk Camp, as organized by the Haliburton County Folk Society and held at YMCA Camp Wanakita from March 2 to 5.

considers themselves a singer, but with an orchestral group that anxiety is lessened, particularly with the ukulele.

"The reality is that somebody can be a nearly novice ukulele player and because there is going to be lots of different parts in the orchestra they can show up and be part of something that is actually going to produce really lot of neat music with-

out having a lot of experience," Lambert said.

See the winter folk camp's website ([www.winterfolkcamp.com](http://www.winterfolkcamp.com)), which includes online registration, for more information.

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— Kris Kadwell



# Back Words story contest winner

## Youth First Place: Jessica Miscio The Messenger



they may leave the hollow  
she knows she Must not follow,  
once refuge has been ignored  
she must meet our lord.

I didn't understand; clearly it's a warning but it must also be a riddle and I never did understand riddles.

I remember scanning the area around me, looking for the messenger. I had nearly convinced myself there was no one around but when I turned to continue my walk, there he was.

He wore his black hair half way down his face, falling over his hypnotic animal green eyes in a black three-piece

suit with coat tails and a top hat. He reminded me of a ring-master. I don't understand my motives but when he bid me hello and asked me to follow him, I did.

It was an adventure. He was mesmerizing.

I never imagined we would get lost in the forest like we did. He was a painfully quiet person and half the time I couldn't be sure he was actually there. The hours of walking blur in my mind now. I only remember feeling relief when we reached a hollow surrounding an old barn. I hoped against hope someone lived there to save us from our secluded state. Some part of me realized that I knew there was no one there, I always knew it was abandoned.

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Why? Why was I so stupid? How did I get myself into this mess, why me?

Because I'm the fool who said yes.

If someone told me I would be in this predicament this morning I would have laughed in their face, not now.

How did I get here? I asked myself, but it's just another dumb question. I know how I got here, just as well as I know what comes next. I couldn't sleep so I decided to take a stroll. It's a full moon out, no need for a flashlight, I didn't even bother to change from my pajamas.

It's funny, I was just walking down the street, casual as ever when, well, when it hit me. Not an idea but a letter. The message was eerie, something was off in the way it just appeared, seeming to fall from the sky.

At the time, I hadn't stopped to question I just opened it up and read;

in the full light of the moon  
Strangers will meeT very soon,  
for there our remAins worn  
do not continue if You do not wish to mourn,  
if they stAy aT the farm  
There will come no Harm,  
it will be hEr sanctuary  
however, she must be wary,  
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she'll be stricken with feaR,

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However, I never anticipated that when we got there the inside would be littered with dead bodies, not just any corpses but the bodies of raccoons, all over.

Horrified, I looked around me for the cause of their deaths. I spotted another message at my feet, I guess I should have known something was odd, it seems blatantly obvious now but at the time it escaped me.

This note was short. It only said to follow the brightest star, so we did. He never argued, he barely said two words.

Finally, lost in the forest, the star far from our view he made a sound, a horrifying sound. Even then it seemed weird. "Just wolves, forests have those you know." He smirked but I could tell something was off, his smile was too wide. Terror started creeping through me, making my skin crawl. The noises got louder and louder, I had to stop walking I was shaking so badly.

He began laughing, not quiet like I expected but a deep, loud sound. "They won't hurt you." More laughter, "They listen to me."

And now, now that the moment has drawn out so long I can barely stand it he took a step towards me. "Silly human,

you should have paid attention to their warning, you should have stayed at the farm, the raccoons wouldn't have let me get you, not that you would understand the spirits of the forest. Now you'll truly see what comes out during a full moon."

Howling filled the silence, the wind picked up and the temperature dropped. Now that we're lost, now that I'm hyperventilating, I know what's going to happen next. This boy didn't just randomly appear. The riddle was a warning. This boy, he's not just the messenger, he's the deliverer bringing my demise.

*My name is Jessica I live in Haliburton and am in Grade 11. My life is the same as every other 16-year-old. It's full of friends, family, complications and a lot of pressure. I'm a fairly introverted person. My passion is writing, whether I'm very good at it or not. If I win this competition, it would mean the world to me, most publishers won't even think about looking at someone's work until they're published and this is what I want to do for the rest of my life.*

*The Messenger won first place in the Back Words short story contest in the youth category run by R.D. Lawrence Place.*

## Youth Honourable Mention: Inheritance by Vanessa M. Kennedy



When the word "inheriting" comes into a conversation it usually means something good, but not for Rich Taylor.... he inherited a farm from his great-grandfather. For a country man a farm would be great but for an accountant it isn't such a good idea.

"A farm!?" Rich exclaimed to his lawyer in Chicago.

"Mr. Tay..., Rich, listen, don't look at me like that; read the will yourself," Rich's lawyer said handing the parchment to his client. The will read:

For my young growing great-grandson, I leave my farm and all pleasures of country life.

Rich put the will back on the desk. He leaned back in the

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chair. "I don't know that much on the subject of farming. Sure I visited my great-granddad but that was years ago." His lawyer was convinced of that but Rich owned the farm. There was nothing he could do about it.

"Listen, Rich, go there and someone in Texas will want 300 acres of farm land. I don't know ... auction it off," the lawyer said standing up and extending his hand.

Before Rich knew it he was on a train to Texas. Rich saw people wearing everything from fancy hats to patched and torn clothes. Rich's disguise of jeans and a tan shirt with a vest didn't work. Everyone on the train knew he wasn't a Texan, but he couldn't do anything about it. When the train stopped, Rich could tell that there was no sanctuary here. Everyone at the train station stared with curious and suspicious eyes. All Rich kept thinking was it was all great-granddad's fault. He ignored the eyes. He walked to a man that held the reins of two horses.

"Uh..." Rich knew he couldn't hide his Chicago accent when he spoke, "Can I rent one of those horses." The man grunted, spit and handed the reins of the black horse to Rich. Rich exhaled and put his foot into the stirrup and swung into the saddle. He was glad that he knew how to ride. "What way to town?" Rich asked. The man pointed south.

In town horses were tied at water troughs. People walked through the street. Rich rode to the sheriff's office to ask the location of the farm that he had inherited. Inside the office the smell of coffee was in the air. The sheriff lifted up his hat when the bell over the door rang.

"Howdy stranger," the old man said.  
"Howdy, uh... do you know where the Taylor's farm is?" Rich asked.

The sheriff smiled. "Ya I do. What is your business with the Taylor's property...?" the sheriff asked.

"Well it is now mine. I am the great-grandson of Harm Taylor," Rich said, handing the will to the sheriff. The sheriff nodded and hummed while he read. He handed back the will and pointed east. "Good luck," were the last words that the sheriff said to Rich with a hollow laugh.

Rich rode east. Rich didn't want to overwork his rented horse but he was anxious to see what he had inherited. When he got there he knew what the sheriff meant by good luck. The farm was a falling down shack and unpaired fencing. "Oh great!" Rich thought.

Rich walked into the house. His farm was actually a ranch. What would an accountant do on a ranch?

What Rich could remember of the farm from childhood was there was always work to be done and from the look of this place there was more than a little work to be done. Rich had a long day so he thought he would pack it in. As soon as he sat down a downpour of rain hammered

the roof. Rich rolled his eyes to the top of his head and wished he could be back in Chicago where he rightfully belonged. By the time a star broke out in the sky Rich was still awake. The rain that had kept Rich up was replaced by a chirping noise coming from somewhere. Rich put his hands over his face. "Oh boy," Rich thought. After a thorough search Rich finally found where the noise was coming from. A farm wasn't the only thing Rich had inherited; a raccoon had made it his home.

In the next week Rich auctioned all of his inherited property to a neighboring family. After that was all said and done, Rich caught the next train heading for Chicago. Being an accountant was his calling, not being a rancher.

*My name is Vanessa M. Kennedy. I live in Wilberforce with my parents. I have two pets. I am a smart, open-minded high school student who, given a chance, will achieve wonders. I am an aspiring young author who is hoping to be published one day. I feel that in a story words have meaning; they have a purpose for being on a page. Without meaning stories aren't entertaining. As an author I want my readers to be interested in the stories that I have created to launch them into a different world just by turning a page. I also believe that writing is one of my passions - I write stories, poems, and passages of wisdom. Besides writing I also draw. I look forward to the future.*



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Standings	Name	Points	Standings	Name	Points
1	Desroche	603	71	Krystal Sharp	506
2	Rob Reid	597	72	Helen Burk	505.75
3	Bruno Campagnolo	586	73	Beryl Rasmus	503
4	David Dollo	585	74	Maie Arike	502.75
5	Denniella Rivard	583	75	Pat Marshall	502.75
6	Marcia Bell	578	76	Andrew Carmount	502
7	Ferne Taylor	573	77	Ethan Carl	501.25
8	Lisa Barry	573	78	Jeremy Crowder	499.25
9	Ann Varty	570	79	Rhonda Shaw	499
10	Melissa White	567.25	80	Rick Cazabon	498
11	Glenn Hall	567	81	Chase Heinemann	497
12	Cody Martin	566	82	Chris Hall	496.25
13	Cheryl Smith	564	83	Jim Winn	496
14	Dale Robinson	561	84	Johnathan Preestwich	494.75
15	Morgan Gadway	561	85	Jacob Bishop	494.75
16	Jame Alden	560	86	Cameron Bradley	492
17	Nancy Holden	559	87	Donald MacMillan	492
18	Eric Schuster	556.25	88	Brian Moore	492
19	Blake Wood	556	89	Frank Darroch	491.25
20	Joan Bell	556	90	Billy Walker	490
21	Ryan Hall	556	91	Andrew McGill	489.75
22	Darrell Gilbert	555	92	Bob Sisson	487.75
23	Ron Sedley	554	93	Barbara Cameron	487
24	Dave Luke	552	94	Nick Kulas	487
25	Blake Paton	551	95	Rick West	485
26	Hunter Bishop	551	96	Ed Dart	482
27	Scott LaRue	549	97	Erin Little	482
28	Eleanor Lymer	548	98	Bill Kulas	482
29	Dave Moss	547	99	Lyle Donaldson	480
30	Jaydon Wood	546	100	Matt Pritchard	478.25
31	Tyler Martin	545	101	Jeff Barry	478.25
32	Geroge Holliday	544	102	Alex M Little	473.25
33	Andrew Hall	543	103	Diane Peacock	472
34	Ray Downs	543	104	Dave Prestwich	472
35	Charles Blackburn	540.25	105	Emile Duchene	471
36	Phil Smith	540.25	106	Jamie Little	471
37	Mark Arike	540	107	Mark Vasey	468
38	Rod Bell	540	108	Margie Prestwich	468
39	Ian Kemp	540	109	Dave Ertel	467
40	Gord Higgins	538	110	Audrey Sedley	466.75
41	Grenville Barry	536	111	Daniel Rivard	465.75
42	Jeff Burk	534	112	J.D. Thomas	465
43	Tom Marshall	532	113	Peter Varty	465
44	Norm Bottum	531	114	Al Lauchlan	464
45	Steve Bell	531	115	Gerald Sharp	463.25
46	Ray Lymer	529	116	Jordan Hamilton	462
47	Eric Casper	527	117	Luke Hunter	461.25
48	Ed Copeland	527	118	Don Chapman	458
49	Robin Carmount	525	119	Sherry Denboer	454.25
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51	Donna McKay	523.75	121	Lisa Malott	453.25
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67	Brock Thomas	507	137	Gerald Ainsworth	412.75
68	David Douglas	507	138	Bruce Fisher	410.75
69	Jane Duchene	506.75	139	Steve St Cyr	403.75
70	Robert McIvor	506.25	140	Ann McIvor	403.25

## Eighth annual tributes show brings out festive community spirit

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

The 2011 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Tribute Show, In the Spirit, showcased the talent a village like Haliburton has to offer.

Held on Dec. 22 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, the eighth annual event featured students from the high school, Stuart Baker Elementary School and individuals from the community.



Students George Charlebois, far left, Mike Mazara and John Cross perform a parody song titled *Jenny*.

This year's show was dedicated to the staff at Haliburton Highlands Health Services, made up of people who dedicate themselves to taking care of our families and loved ones.

The show is a celebration of the talent in the community, with each performance being tributed to a person or thing of the performer's choice.

This year, tributes were commemorated with a candy cane hung on a Christmas tree.

The show included a variety of performances such as self-written songs, parody sketches, dance routines and musical numbers.



Canoe FM radio personality Mike Jaycock performs a comedy routine as Dame Beatrice.

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Students Shawn Kadwell, Joel Stevens and Michael Kunkel, perform a comedy routine titled *Call of Duty* during the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Tribute Show on Dec. 22.

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# Cottager sets sights on Pan-American Games

➤ Lambert awarded the prestigious Wes Graham Cup in 2011

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

When a father made a bet with his daughter he thought it was the best way to put an end to her iPhone requests.

Dave Lambert thought a mobile phone was a ridiculous thing for his 11-year-old daughter Lindsey, who has drawn the attention of several key figures in the water skiing world with her abilities to not only meet, but also surpass expectations for an athlete in her sport.

He promised to get her the phone, believing it was virtually impossible, if she could complete a slalom course at two at 28 off (describing number of buoys at a given rope length), which is two buoys off the national record.

"I thought there is no way that she can possibly do that and then after the Can Am [series] she flew down to Florida with the Canadian team and did some training there. At the tournament there, that's where she ran the 28 off in the tournament," Lambert said, adding he'll be careful about making wagers with her daughter in the future. "She was there for a week with the team and I was home when I got the text from the coach: your daughter just ran 28 off. As I'm reading the text [the phone] rings and it's Lindsey! I ran 28 off."

Late last year, Lindsey even amazed herself by earning the prestigious Wes Graham Cup award, which has set this young Koshlong Lake cottager on the course to achieving new goals in competitive water skiing.

When Lindsey of Courtice learned she won the Wes Graham Cup award handed out by Water Ski Wakeboard Ontario (WSWO) late last year, she only smiled, ear-to-ear.

Later, she revealed she was amazed and surprised by the news when her father told her.

It's just one step to a bigger goal for the soft-spoken athlete.

"It would be amazing to go to the Pan Am games," she said, adding her father's support is invaluable towards fulfilling her dream.

The Cup award is annually given to the female and male athletes (under 21) that have demonstrated the greatest improvement and consistency in average scores.

Lindsey completed her first season in Girls 2 division, finishing with slalom scores that were double on average than the year before and her trick scores nearly tripled on average. The pre-teen athlete also finished her season with bronze and silver medals at the nationals, including being named to the Canadian Can Am team.

While competing for Canada at the Can Am series in St. Louis, the Canadian National Team coach for waterskiing, Steve Bush, told Lambert that Lindsey has the potential to earn a spot at the Pan Am games for under-17 athletes in two years.

The young athlete is also active in hockey, playing for the Clarington Flames hockey team and loves music.

Lambert, who will take a three-month leave of absence from his work as a school principal to facilitate his daughter's dream, hopes he can garner sponsorships to reduce the financial burden of the sport.

The list of equipment and the associated price tags are staggering, which includes a waterski for \$1,200, trick ski for \$1,200 and a new jump ski for \$3,000, not to mention gas, tournament fees and training costs. Sponsorship funds are expected to be allocated to training costs, which includes personal coaching, he said.

Lindsay, he said, will gain great exposure when she competes across the country in events such as the Capital Slalom Challenge in Ottawa, the Eastern Canadian Water Ski Championships, Ontario Waterski Championships, the Canadian Waterski Championships in Calgary, including a possible



Koshlong Lake cottager Lindsey Lambert, who was the recent recipient of the Wes Graham Cup award, given by Water Ski Wakeboard Ontario, carves around a buoy. /Photo submitted

stop at the U.S. Nationals with an end to the season competing for the Canadian team against the U.S. team in the Can Am games competition in St. Louis.

Lindsey's father already designed a website and it is expected to be up and running this month [www.lindsey-lambert.ca](http://www.lindsey-lambert.ca).

He adds the time on the water during the three months, which will include coaching by well-known water ski coaches Matt Rini and Drew Ross, is essential for his daughter to not only progress, but to remain competitive with other athletes who are likely to put in more time than three months of training.

Besides being the supportive taxi driver for his daughter, Lambert said he is acting press agent. He and his wife are amazed by their daughter's determination and drive.

"What we were really impressed with this summer was when she decided to run a path she would go non-stop until she did it. And so that was impressive. 'I want to run this. I want to run this,' [he remembers her saying]. She would go, go, go until ... I would have been dead, but she just kept going and going until she got it," he said.

Most times, he said, his daughter of few words may not say much, but knows when to stop. On a few occasions he will make it known she should take a break.

"She doesn't say much, but you can see it in her," he said.

Jaret Bull of North Bay was the male recipient of the Wes Graham Cup for 2011.

The Cup award, which was formerly known as the Hallmark Cup, is named after WSWO legend Wes Graham, who dedicated most of his life to developing competitive water skiing in Ontario.

Koshlong Lake cottager Lindsey Lambert, 11, stands with the skis of her sport, wearing the medals she won last year. Lindsey is setting her sights on the Pan Am Games. /Photo submitted





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Year  
in Review



# January 2011

## Hydro line plans divide businesses

Plans to bury hydro lines under Highland Street in Haliburton had some local businesses worried that patrons would avoid the downtown.

Due to the amount of work, the plan, said Reeve Murray Fearrey, was to begin construction in April, stop for the summer, resume in the fall and then finish in spring of 2012.

"Yes, visually it would be great if the hydro was buried ... however, at what cost is that going to happen?" multiple-restaurant owner Maarten Steinkamp asked.



Darren Lum Staff

Scotty Morrison holds his plaque after being named the Highlander of the Year at the fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards. Morrison's was one of 11 awards handed out at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce event held at the Pinestone Resort on Jan. 15.

## Scotty Morrison named Highlander of the Year

Former NHL ref and local community booster, Scotty Morrison, was named Highlander of the Year at the Business and Community Achievement Awards on Jan. 15.

Morrison is known for his charity tournament for Community Care Haliburton County and told the audience that the award would be treasured forever.

Other winners at the awards included Wayde Greer for young entrepreneur; Maple Moon for small business; Mikaela Charlebois and Teghan Dodds for youth of the year; Community Care for not-for-profit; GJ Burtch Construction for skilled trades; the Chamber of Commerce for warden's award; Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort for innovative and creative business; Molly McInerney for new business; and Haliburton Forest for large business.

## Dogsled derby delayed

Winterdance Dogsled Tours chose to put their derby scheduled for Jan. 22 and 23 on hiatus for a year due to lack of sponsorships and poor snow conditions.

## Tim Hortons in Haliburton?

The popular coffee shop Tim Hortons put an application in to Dysart to build on County Road 21 near Industrial Park Road.

The site plan was approved by council in principle, pending the sale of land and acquisition of building permits.

## Duchene makes all-star team

In his first season in the NHL, Haliburton's Matt Duchene got a spot on the all-star team.

Duchene went on to score a goal in the game Jan. 30 at RBC Center in Raleigh, North Carolina.

## Lung cancer rates higher than average

The health unit revealed at their board meeting in January that there is more lung cancer in the tri-county area including Haliburton than the provincial average.

One of the reasons could be the effects of smoking that started as much as 30 years ago, since this health unit has higher than average smoking rates.

## Highland Cup relocates to Bancroft

Just three years after its inception, the Highland Cup snowmobile races announced they had a new home in Bancroft.

Created in 2008 by Harold Foyster, the two-day event was always held in Haliburton, but due to economic reasons, he decided to change the name and move.

The Madawaska Cup was moved to Bird's Creek and took place Feb. 5 and 6.

## Hatchery in trouble

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association is in financial trouble, so much so that its president worried that it may have to close the fish hatchery within the next three years.

Bill Beatty spoke to county council Jan. 26 and told them what used to be \$25,000 in annual funding from the MNR was dwindling to just \$3,000.

The county gives the HHOA \$20,000 a year. There is one more year left of that funding agreement.



Darren Lum Staff

The Haliburton Gold is a local variety and was discovered in the late 1970s during testing for acid rain.

## Hospital board members stripped of voting power

A new stipulation from the provincial government took away certain board members' voting power, including CEO Paul Rosebush, the doctors and the head nurse.

The board was dismayed by the decision and wrote a letter to the government voicing their concerns.

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# February 2011

## Cody Hodgson scores first NHL goal

Called up from the Vancouver Canucks' farm team the Manitoba Moose, Haliburton cottager Cody Hodgson scored his first goal in the National Hockey League Feb. 2 in a game against the Phoenix Coyotes while on the road.

Hodgson was drafted by the Canucks two years ago, but a series of injuries kept him on the Moose.

## Bob Park leaves Haliburton

Longtime Foodland owner Bob Park announced he'd be leaving Haliburton to open a grocery store in Bancroft. Park left his son Brad and Brad's wife Danielle to run the store in Haliburton.

## Water company wins local Bears' Lair competition

Brandi Hewson of WAI Products was named Haliburton's contestant for the Bears' Lair business competition held in March in Peterborough. Hewson's water supply and irrigation company impressed the panel of local judges in an event very much like CBC's *Dragons' Den* TV program.

## County hosts Ontario Senior Winter Games

More than 900 people flocked to the county to participate in Winterfest senior games. From Minden to Wilberforce, the area's natural winter landscape was the setting for vigorous competition in skiing, skating, hockey, curling and table tennis.

The games were run by a small organizing team and a large pool of volunteers.

## Hank DeBruin finishes Yukon Quest

Winterdance Dogsled Tours owner Hank DeBruin finished the epic dogsled race across the Yukon and Alaska in 13 days, 10 hours and 54 minutes.

DeBruin said that the race was even more grueling than the Iditarod, which he participated in the year before.

Five dogs had to be dropped at various checkpoints along the way, but all returned home safe and sound.

## Red Hawks snowboarders golden at COSSA

Two individuals and three teams were sent from Haliburton the provincial championships in snowboarding after the central Ontario finals Feb. 28.

Jessica Bishop and Mackenzie Robinson had the fastest times in their categories, while two girls' teams and one boys' team placed in the top three of their categories.

## High school hockey team has perfect season

The boys' hockey team played a 12-0-0 season defeating all who came before them. In their last regular season games, the boys outscored their competition 20 to 3.

## Curling team takes third in province

The high school boys' curling team came third at the Gore tournament in Carp, Ont., Feb. 17 to 19. Coached by Tom Dibblee and Russ Duhaime, the

boys won the consolation finals against Markham 9-6. The team consisted of Owen Duhaime, Mike Mazara and Tyler Warham. Jesse Walker was absent for the tournament and was replaced by the host club alternate Alex Cormier.

## Pool proposal sinks

A study into the feasibility of a pool in Haliburton County was voted down by county council Feb. 23.

Despite heavy lobbying during the municipal election in favour of a pool, councillors were not swayed by the idea of an expensive study.

## School principal shuffle

The school board announced that in April the county's principals would shuffle to fill a space in Fenelon Falls created by a retirement.

Elaine Fournier of Wilberforce and Cardiff schools was assigned J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, while its principal Traci Hubbert was sent to Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden.

Minden's principal Joan Harpell went to Langton Public School.

Principal transfers are a regular occurrence in the school board system.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Applause erupts throughout Fleming College on Feb. 10 as Brandi Hewson, far right, is announced the winner of the Haliburton portion of the Bears' Lair competition. Hewson was one of four contestants to enter the competition, which promotes entrepreneurship throughout Haliburton, Peterborough, Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland.

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# March 2011

## PC Opposition leader comes to Pinestone

Tim Hudak made a stop at Pinestone Resort March 4 on a tour gathering feedback on tax relief and job creation. The provincial PC leader, along with energy critic John Yakabuski and the local PC candidate Laurie Scott, hosted a roundtable discussion with members of the Chamber of Commerce.

## Colourfest snags big grant

It was announced March 3 that Haliburton BIA's fall festival would get \$27,000 to expand.

"It's specifically to use toward building Colourfest – making it even greater so we can afford to have ... more attractions," Jerelyn Craden, organizer of the event, said.

The money came from a Celebrate Ontario grant, given out by the province.

## Hewson narrowly misses Bears' Lair win

Haliburton entrepreneur Brandi Hewson was unable to win the Bear's Lair competition in Peterborough March 1.

Hewson, 30, runs a company that sells water

irrigation and supply products and was ultimately beat out by Jo Ann Baguiro-Thompson, who makes specialty dog treats.

Bears' Lair was a local business competition modelled off of the TV program *Dragons' Den*. The grand prize package was worth \$20,000.

## Hydro line burial delayed

After much hand-wringing by downtown businesses over potential construction to bury hydro lines, the BIA told its members the project was on hold.

According to the municipality, arrangements by Hydro One to do the project hadn't been made quickly enough and even a fall start was unlikely.

Spring of 2012 is the new start date.

## Jim Henwood to leave town

Owner of Henwood's Variety, regular municipal elections candidate and community volunteer, Jim Henwood announced he'd taken a job running a Bargain Shop in St. Catharines. The decision would close down the Main Street variety store in May.

## New condo development gets first approvals

A 28-unit condo to be built on Park Street in Haliburton was given a zoning bylaw amendment by Dysart council March 7. To be constructed by a Gravenhurst-based company, the four-storey building will be priced for middle class residents.

## Curling teams place second

On March 7, the high school boys' curling team brought home the silver at the Central Ontario Secondary School Association curling championships in Sterling, Ont. Only a gold would have propelled them to the provincial games, but the team of Jesse Walker, Owen Duhaime, Mike Mazara and Tyler Warham were happy with their second-place finish.

The high school girls' curling team, composed entirely of Grade 10 students, took second place at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics final in Sterling, Ont. March 7. They finished with a record of two wins and a loss. The team was comprised of Laura Pottier, Holly Broderick, Emily Shapiera, Shannon Bittner and Alana Bannister.

## Few businesses accessible, survey finds

In a "silent" survey of 137 Haliburton businesses, only 25 per cent were accessible to people in walkers, wheelchairs or pushing strollers, a survey by the county's Aging Well committee found.

Fifty-six per cent were accessible to those using canes and 19 per cent were accessible to only able-bodied people.

"I was thinking, how much of a problem is this getting into these stores? I thought, let's do a survey," said Bev Kraulis, a member of the committee.

## School of the Arts launches Huntsville pilot project

Fleming College's Haliburton School of the Arts announced it would launch a pilot project in the heart of Muskoka in the summer, running 17 classes for three weeks. The move brings some of the popular courses to the people of Huntsville, while expanding the Haliburton brand into new territory.

## Local Brier runner told not to run

Haliburton resident Jack Cox was asked to abandon a longstanding tradition of running around the stands of the Brier curling rink, waving the Ontario flag.

March 7, Cox was told that after 15 Briers, he had to stop his mad dash.

Chairman Peter Inch said he couldn't run at the London, Ont., Brier because of liability and safety concerns.

## Heritage Guild celebrates 20 years

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild, which manages the historic outpost museum, celebrated 20 years of community preservation. There was a party at the outpost March 21 attended by guild members past and present.

## Wrestling team goes to OFSAA

The Red Hawks wrestling team (Zane Zondervan, Kayla Gardiner, Bailey Walker, Lily Coneybeare, Dylan Graham and Tara O'Sullivan) all earned a berth to OFSAA. Gardiner (44 kg) and Walker (47.5 kg) finished in the top eight while teammate Zondervan (77 kg) finished in the top 12.



Angelica Blenich Staff

The panel of judges at the Bears' Lair finale, held in Peterborough on March 1, are handed out props by Haliburton contestant Brandi Hewson. The keynote speaker of the evening, Robert Herjavec of CBC's *Dragons' Den*, front right, also sat on the panel of judges for the competition, which saw four contestants compete for a prize valued at \$20,000.

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# April 2011

## New doctor comes to town

Dr. Nandini Cossons joined the Haliburton Highlands Health Clinic early in the month. Cossons came from England with her family.

## Palliative care bed gets funding

The Haliburton hospital was given \$51,500 to turn one acute care bed into a palliative care unit by the Central East Local Health Integration Network. The money realized the goals of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board, which wanted to accommodate those wishing to remain in the community while receiving hospice services.

## Police appeal Harcourt Park ruling

Haliburton OPP challenged a ruling that members of Harcourt Park were exempt from the Off Road Vehicle Act, Highway Traffic Act and Motorized Snow Vehicle Act because the park is private property.

The case began when a park resident was charged by police for not wearing a helmet while driving an ATV in the park, which is a collectively owned property.

Charges were initially dropped when the case went before a justice of the peace and the OPP decided to appeal that decision, claiming the laws apply to everyone.

There is an exemption in the ORVA that allows those on off-road vehicles to proceed without a helmet on private land.

## Condo development met with enthusiasm

The public was largely enthusiastic to hear about a new condo to be built overlooking Head Lake.

A meeting held April 4 at the curling club attracted all sorts to hear about Granite Cove, which will include 28 units with access from Park Street in town.

## Private boys' school announced

Peter Thyrring announced plans to create a private boys' Catholic school in the Highlands, starting out of the Pinestone Resort.

Thyrring had been running a school in the Toronto area and wanted to relocate north partially because of his connection to the area and partially to keep costs low.

The school focuses on traditional values of discipline and emphasizes the importance of athletics alongside academics.

## Election gets messy

A public meeting at Fleming College took on an adversarial tone as Conservative incumbent Barry Devolin took the brunt of audience questioning and pointed barbs from his political opponents.

The evening followed a controversial decision by the candidate to boycott one of Haliburton's newspapers because he said he was concerned he wouldn't be treated fairly by the paper.

Liberal candidate Laura Redman was managing editor of the *County Voice* and wrote a strongly critical editorial about provincial Conservative Tim

Hudak before stepping down to run against Devolin.

Later in the campaign, Redman reported that someone was prank calling voters, pretending to be her and that her signs were going missing.

# Wilberforce School celebrates 100 years

In a special ceremony April 30, students, residents and dignitaries came together to celebrate a century of education in Wilberforce.

The school was opened as a one-room school-house originally in 1911 with two separate entrances: one for girls, one for boys. There have been several renovations to the building since that time.

The school went through a review by the school board a couple of years ago due to declining enrollment and now offers classes to grades 4 to 8 students from Wilberforce and Cardiff areas.



### Angelica Blenich Staff

Wilberforce Elementary School parent council president Karen Bird, second from left, cuts a commemorative ribbon tied around a plaque celebrating the school's 100 anniversary on April 30 while school dignitaries look on. From left, Gord Wood, acting principal, Karen Round, chairperson of the TLDSB, Gary Brohman, TLDSB trustee and Larry Hope, director of education for TLDSB.

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# May 2011

## Barry Devolin wins federal election

Incumbent Conservative Barry Devolin handily won Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock in the May 2 federal election.

Devolin received 35,192 votes of the 58,791 cast in the riding. NDP candidate Lyn Edwards received 12,934 and Liberal Laura Redman got 7,539.

Devolin immediately launched his campaign for the Speaker of the House position, stating that he had a non-confrontational reputation on Parliament Hill.

## EMS faces shortfall

A drop in provincial funding forced EMS director Pat Kennedy to tell council his department would go over budget by \$62,000. At the emergency services committee meeting May 11, Kennedy told councillors that an increase in fuel cost and upstaffing against a backdrop of decreased funding created a challenge for the department.

## Wilberforce explosion victim rebuilds home

Seven months after his house was devoured in a fiery explosion, Ted Procher, 67, began rebuilding.

Procher, incredibly, only suffered minor injuries after his home went up in flames around him suddenly in October, 2010.

"The fire marshal said the explosion blew me up into the ceiling and then I dropped down about half way into the basement," she said.

## Boys' badminton team makes OFSAA

Badminton duo Jesse Schmidt and Drew Paul qualified to compete at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations championships.

Although they didn't win the competition, which



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With his wife Ursula, left, Conservative candidate Barry Devolin easily won his Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding with 60 per cent of the vote.

ran from May 12 to 14, the boys' coach said Paul and Schmidt played well and belonged in the Ontario-wide tournament.

## Pharmacist talks medical centre with Wilberforce community

A proposal to open a pharmacy in a municipal building got the community thinking about possibilities for medical services.

An open house to discuss the idea May 19 attracted some 40 people eager to hear about the chance to attract fulltime doctors to Wilberforce.

The owner and operator of a pharmacy in Kinmount for the past six years, Khosrow Eshkour, better known as Kas, wanted to see Wilberforce bring in doctors, just as Kinmount had years ago.

## Defibrillator removed from high school

Councillors on the county's emergency services committee were shocked to discover the defibrillator that had been located in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School had been removed.

At a May 11 committee meeting, EMS director Pat Kennedy told councillors that it was removed in February because the school hadn't met his department's training and monitoring requirements. Soon after that meeting, HHSS was again equipped with a life-saving device.

## Cody Hodgson plays

## in Stanley Cup finals

Haliburton Lake cottager Cody Hodgson, 21, centred the fourth line of the Vancouver Canucks during the Stanley Cup finals in May. Hodgson had struggled with injuries since being drafted to the team in 2008. Moments after the team left the ice, he made the call from the dressing room, like he always does after every game, to his parents Chris and Marie in Ontario.

"He was happy. That's what everyone dreams about, right? Playing in the Stanley Cup final. Everybody has a role so hopefully he does it well. They've got so much talent on the team that he's got to make sure he plays the best he can," Haliburton cottager and former MPP Chris Hodgson said.



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Leora Berman, second from left, explains to MPP Rick Johnson, third from left, the plans to transform the historic Donald plant into a marketing cooperative for green technology on May 20, 2011 in Donald.



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Red Hawks varsity rugby back Matt Vieira evades one tackle, but has his path obstructed in the final minutes of a home game against the Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School Griffins on Friday, May 13. The Red Hawks were shut out and outpaced by several tries, but never hung their heads in the game.



# June 2011

## Fire destroys ex-finance minister's cottage

The Haliburton Lake cottage of Ontario's former finance minister and his wife was destroyed in a fire June 2.

Seventeen Dysart firefighters responded to the call, but were unable to save the building, which was constructed in the early 1990s.

## Speaker post eludes Devolin

Barry Devolin's bid to become Speaker of the House of Commons fell short on June 2 when his name was eliminated from the third ballot.

The local MP said he was disappointed at losing out, but congratulated the winner, who was his second choice for the job, Andrew Scheer.

Speaker of the House acts as a moderator on discussion of elected representatives in the federal legislature.

## Track team makes OFSAA

The high school track team was thrilled to compete at the provincial championship in Sudbury June 2 to 4. The girls' relay team (Ali Hicks, Sarah Comer, Sandy Griffith and Brigitta Hicks) came in 17th, while Tom Paul came in 19th in the midget men's hurdles. Charlene Hicks was 11th in midget women's 80-metre hurdles and was seventh in triple jump. In the junior women's 80-metre hurdles Ali Hicks placed 18th and Brigitta Hicks was seventh. Ali Hicks was third overall in the women's 300-metre hurdles.

## Canada Post lockout hits businesses

It took only a couple of days for the Canada Post lockout to start affecting businesses in the Highlands.

The Chamber of Commerce surveyed its membership and found that just about everyone was hurt by the mail stoppage, which started on June 15.

## Appeal of charge targets Harcourt Park governance structure

An appeal launched by the Haliburton Highlands OPP against a decision involving Harcourt

Park was heard June 13.

The case appealed a finding by a justice of the peace who ruled that park residents are collectively owners of the land and are therefore exempt from the Off Road Vehicle Act.

The judge heard arguments from both sides of the dispute, which surrounded a man's right to ride his ATV without a helmet. Justice L. Chester said he would reserve judgment to September.

## Enviro-heroes celebrated

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust gave out awards for the fourth time based on work done to preserve the environment at their Wild About Nature Gala at Camp Wanakita June 18.

The stewardship award went to the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association; the education award went to Wanakita; the arts award went to Erin Lynch; the health award went to Haliburton Nordic Trails Association; the business award went to Patient News and the youth award was given to the high school's eco-team. Those who had donated their land to the trust were also honoured.

## Volunteer Dental Outreach Clinic opens

On June 17, a room full of smiling people celebrated the opening of the Volunteer Dental Outreach Clinic on Mountain Street.

The clinic was the dream of Dr. Bill Kerr and dental hygienist Lisa Stoughton, who brought a board of dedicated volunteers together to create a free clinic for low-income adults who need dental work. It took less than one year to open.

## Banquet honours top HHSS athletes

Jenna Dibblee and Jesse Schmidt were given Athlete of the Year awards at the high school's athletics banquet June 14.

Eighteen students were honoured for their passion, talent and drive and the school bus driver was given the impact award for his dedication and caring.

## Literacy scores climb

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students continued to meet, and exceed, standards set



**Chad Ingram Staff**

Bill Vermeersch, left, Chester Howse and Jack Cox walked with flags reading "fight back" during the survivors' lap at the beginning of the fifth annual Haliburton County Relay for Life at HHSS on June 10.

by the ministry of education on literacy.

Tests carried out in March and released in June showed that 86 per cent of the 155 students eligible completed it successfully.

## Missing teen found

A missing 18-year-old was found June 27 after an all-night search near Redstone Lake.

The OPP responded to the case after friends said they couldn't find D.J. Howell, who was supposed to come back to the cottage near Redkenn Drive.

The canine and emergency response units were called and a military search and rescue aircraft used flares to assist with the search.

Howell was found by his brother-in-law, who drove up to Haliburton from his home near Lindsay to help.

## County to pay Mantracker \$4,500 to film

Television series *Mantracker* will be filming in Haliburton County after county councillors decided at their July 27 meeting to pay \$4,500 to bring the production to the area.

Some members expressed skepticism over how much the local tourism industry would benefit from the series. A representative from Elliot Lake told councillors in a letter that results were good, though "tough to quantify."

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# Summer in Haliburton County 2011



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Macie Hunter of Stuart Baker Elementary School blows bubbles on the last day of school during the Fun Day on Thursday, June 30. Students spent part of the morning and afternoon eating freezies and participating in a variety of activities.



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Gavin Hicks of Haliburton executes a raley, flying through the air in preparation for the Sharpley Source for Sports Open Ontario Provincial Championships.



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Children cheered on their minnows in a Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association station during the ninth annual Cops 'n' Kids event held at Head Lake Park in Haliburton Wednesday, July 6. There were 111 children that participated in the event.



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Visitors checked out art belonging to local artist Tiffany Howe, far right, on July 23 at the Haliburton Arts and Crafts Festival held in Head Lake Park.





# Community events 2011



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The cast of the Rocky Monster Horror Show jump in the air during a dress rehearsal in the Northern Lights Pavilion. The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Grade 11 drama class staged the show.



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Sebastian Rennel performs a dance he choreographed by himself called "Landing" and "A Hotter Kind of Blue" during the second half of the Fashion Fallies show.



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Left, Tom Regina, left as Andy and Carl Dixon, as Matt, speak to each other during the double-date scene in the Highlands Summer Festival play, *Looking*. The two-act comedy on finding love and challenges with relationships is directed by Ralph Small and is running during the week with the last show on Thursday, July 28, hosted by the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

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# July 2011



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Children show their national pride, left, Ryan Rupnow, 6, and Chloe Samson, 10, grab lunch and a few Canadian flags during the Wilberforce Canada Day luncheon hosted at the Wilberforce outpost on Friday, July 1. There were close to 80 people who sang songs and relaxed at the back of the outpost building during the event, which was organized by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild. This event has been held annually since 1991.

## Fundraiser for plane begins

After more than 30 years overlooking the high school football field, the CF100 fighter plane might get a fresh coat of paint.

The Haliburton Legion branch launched a fundraising charge to refurbish the model, which is expected to cost more than \$89,000 and take 12 weeks.

## Molou theatre closes

After 70 years in the movie business, the historic Haliburton theatre did not open its doors for the summer season.

There are no plans to open the theatre, Stan Consky told the newspaper.

The theatre was opened by Lou and Molly Consky in 1941.

## Highland Street to get makeover

MPP Rick Johnson announced July 12 that Haliburton's downtown would be getting provincial funding for a streetscape.

Much like the revamp of York Street the previous year, the Highland Street project would improve roads and curbs, bring new vehicle and pedestrian lighting and update drainage with buried hydro lines.

## Canoe FM raises more than \$15,000

Community radio station Canoe FM brought in \$15,900 during their two-day radiothon.

Money came from the local community, but also from such far-off places as Belgium.

## Fire ban issued for Highlands East

Two of the county's four municipalities – Minden Hills and Highlands East – issued fire bans mid-July.

Due to dry conditions across the county, fire chief Bill Wingrove issued the ban July 21.

## Record-breaking butterfly count

The 12th annual butterfly count in Haliburton County brought some record-breaking results.

There were 60 different species found by 13 observers – 23,660 individual butterflies.

A rare butterfly the size of a dime was also found by participant Margaret Carney who had never heard of the early hairstreak before she found it.

## Rotary Golf Classic

## raises \$48,000

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation made a whopping \$48,000 from the annual golf classic at the Pinestone Resort.

About 200 golfers participated in a hot day of golfing including a buffet dinner and a Q and A session with NHL player and Haliburtonian Matt Duchene.

Ken Rosenberg scored \$10,000 for a hole-in-one at the fundraiser.

## ATVer survives collision with truck

Ryan Grimes, 14, was riding his ATV on Contau Lake Road near Irondale July 22 when he nearly got into a head-on collision with a pickup truck.

Heading around the curve, Ryan's path was intersecting with an oncoming vehicle. He ditched his ATV, but was still hit by the truck, which ran over his leg and back.

After being taken to Sick Kids' Hospital in Toronto, Ryan was back home with a metal rod in his femur.

Doctors said it would take about three months to recover.



Jenn Watt Staff

Vice-principal Irv Sternberg congratulates Katie Findeis at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School commencement ceremony on Wednesday, June 29, 2011.



# August 2011

## Shawn Desman comes to Camp Timberlane

On Aug. 2, Canadian entertainer Shawn Desman made his first appearance in Haliburton, lending his performing and dancing skills at Camp Timberlane's Timber Palooza '11.

The opportunity came through a long-standing friendship with the camp's owner Corey Mandell.

Desman used to dance with Mandell Entertainment. Desman called the Highlands "beautiful" and "breathtaking."

## Tens of thousands in Trillium grants

The Haliburton Lions Club was awarded \$14,500 to bring a professional orchestra to accompany the Highlands Festival Singers in their production of *Messiah*.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation also awarded the Rails End Gallery with \$33,300 to insulate the building's cellar, install shelving and create a furnace room.

## Weekend tragedies leave two dead

Two separate incidents in Highlands East took the lives of a 26-year-old man and 41-year-old woman.



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Robin Banks belted out a number of sultry tunes at Fishstock on Aug. 13. The event was a fundraiser for the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association and took place at the fish hatchery.

David Pfaller of Scarborough was found dead on a Buxton Road property having been out swimming in the early hours of Aug. 13.

On the same day, Elizabeth Shannon of Peterborough died when the ATV she was on went off the road and hit a fence and then a tree.

## Local teen dies in car crash

Joshua Rewa of Fort Irwin was killed after his car hit a utility pole in the early hours of Aug. 21.

Rewa, 19, was driving County Road 14 when his car left the road north of Eagle Lake around 5 a.m.

No one else was involved in the collision.

## Marjory Peel turns 100

On Aug. 19, Marjory Peel celebrated her birthday at Community Care in Haliburton surrounded by friends and family.

Born in 1911, Peel has been living in Haliburton since 1977. Asked how she felt at age 100, Peel responded: "Not bad for an old girl."

## Kurt Browning comes out for dental fundraiser

Canadian Olympian figure skater Kurt Browning made an appearance at the inaugural Volunteer Dental Outreach golf tournament Aug. 18 at Blairhampton Golf Club.

About 120 golfers participated in the event, which raised about \$20,000 for the clinic.

## Haliburton wakeboarder wins championship

Wakeboarder Gavin Hicks of Haliburton captured the Ontario provincial championship title at the Sharpley Source for Sports Open in Haliburton Aug. 20.

With the win he tied for the overall top spot in the three-event Roots Wakeboard and Wakeskate series. Other locals in the event did well including Addison Farr, Brady Hicks, Robbie Hicks, Tommy Bailey and Logan Enright.

## Scott gets political boost from ex-premier



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A dancer performs in the Kaha:wi dance during the Dusk Dances event that drew hundreds on Thursday, July 28. Kaha:wi was choreographed by Santee Smith.

Former Ontario premier Bill Davis was the guest speaker at a fundraiser for PC candidate Laurie Scott at the Haliburton Curling Club Aug. 24.

Davis, 81, spoke about what it means to be a Progressive Conservative to a crowd of supporters.

## Hydro workers help in Vermont

On Aug. 29, three Hydro One workers from Haliburton County joined 140 crew members in Vermont to assist with storm restoration in the aftermath of Hurricane Irene.

Scott Hamilton, Dan Steele and Jonathan Dykstra, all out of the Minden operations centre, joined many in the U.S. restoring power.

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# September 2011



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Magnificent Hill owners Diane Doiron, front left, and Lea Kitler show Hike Haliburton participants a cave in the forest of their Highland Grove property Sept. 24, 2011.

## SBES gets new principal

Andrea Borysiuk became Stuart Baker Elementary School's new principal on Sept. 6.

After 20 years in education, Borysiuk returned to the elementary school system as a principal for the first time.

She has lived in Haliburton since 2005.

## Affordable housing funding promised

The provincial and federal governments announced \$2.9 million for the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes Housing Corporation to construct a 24-unit housing development.

The building is planned for the former MTO depot lot on County Road 21 outside Haliburton.

## Fleming support staff strike

More than a dozen workers delayed traffic into the Haliburton campus of Fleming College Sept. 1.

Negotiations between the Ontario Public Service Employees Union and the College Employer Council broke down in late August and 8,000 support staff across the province went on strike.

The picket line slowed traffic, but did not stop anyone from entering the campus.

## Toronto motorcyclist dies following crash

James Moonesar, 27, was driving his motorcycle near Salmon Lake Road south of Gooderham along with three other motorcyclists when his vehicle crossed the centreline.

Moonesar lost control and was thrown from the bike and later passed away.

An OPP spokesman said Moonesar had purchased the bike in May of that year and inexperience may have contributed to the crash.

## Provincial election campaign heats up

Former MPP Laurie Scott started her campaigning with some tough criticism for the Liberal government.

"Their party has brought in record tax increases, even though they said they wouldn't," she said in an interview.

Scott said she was concerned about unnecessary bureaucracy such as the health governance structure (Local Health Integrated Network), harmonized sales tax on home heating and a lack of long-term-care beds among other things.

For his part, incumbent Liberal Rick Johnson campaigned both on his 1½ year record and made promises to help enhance health care and other provincial infrastructure.

On Sept. 9, Johnson promised he would do everything he could to bring a CT scanner to Haliburton's hospital, if elected. He also announced he would be fighting for a satellite cancer facility at Lindsay's Ross Memorial Hospital.

## Condo breaks ground

Granite Cove Condominium was officially started Sept. 10 at a groundbreaking ceremony.

Council approved the final planning details for the building at 1 Park St. in downtown Haliburton at their Sept. 6 meeting.

Developers Doug Gray and Pat Dube thanked council for their ongoing support and cooperation with the 30-unit building.

"It's going to go up quickly," Gray said to council.

## Highways to Fairways golf show launches

Local golf enthusiasts Charlie Teljeur and Wayne Greer screened the pilot and first episodes of *Highways to Fairways* at the Bonnie View Inn in Haliburton on Sept. 8.

The weekly reality TV show follows the pair as they travel throughout North America visiting unique golf courses over 58 days.

"Over two years of work it's finally kind of paying off," Greer said.

The show airs on TVtropics, Fox Sports World Canada, CHEX TV, Channel 12 Durham and CHEK TV.

## Man dies after canoe overturns

A 39-year-old man died Sept. 10 after his canoe tipped over in Benoir Lake in Highlands East.

Ramesh Paskarathas was one of three occupants dumped into the water when the vessel flipped, police said.

The two others made it to shore safely.

## OPP win Harcourt Park case

The Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment won its appeal of a decision involving the regulation of Harcourt Park.

The verdict was reached on Sept. 8 by Justice L. Chester who deemed that the rules of the Off Road Vehicle Act still apply to residents of the park, despite the property's ownership structure.

The case surrounded a charge by OPP of Dave Gillespie for not wearing a helmet while on his ATV on roads within Harcourt Park.

Each resident of Harcourt Park purchases a lease hold interest giving them exclusive access to their property within the park and shared access to common lands including roads, lakes and backlands.

A justice of the peace originally ruled that Gillespie was an occupier of the land, and therefore he was exempt from the act, but that was overturned.

"A single occupant does not constitute occupier according to the ORVA," City of Kawartha Lakes prosecutor and OPP counsel Kim Page said.



# October 2011



**Darren Lum Staff**

Progressive Conservative candidate Laurie Scott waves to her supporters after learning she took the Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock riding, beating out Liberal candidate Rick Johnson. Scott took more than 45 per cent of the vote.

## Voters return Scott to office

PC candidate Laurie Scott easily beat her Liberal opponent and incumbent Rick Johnson in the provincial election Oct. 6.

Scott received more than 22,300 votes from Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock while Johnson got about 16,500.

Scott had given up her seat as MPP in 2009 to allow the then-leader of the PC party, John Tory, to run.

Johnson had won that election and served a year and a half as MPP.

Other candidates Don Abel (NDP) and Anita Payne (Green) both said they were happy with their performances on election night.

## Concern over Wilberforce veneer property rezoning

A request to rezone land once housing a veneer plant in Wilberforce did not sit well with some of the public at an Oct. 4 Highlands East public meeting.

The application was to rezone three of the proposed lots to shoreline residential exception to allow new development and the fourth as a commercial lot.

Some at the meeting thought the township should have purchased the land for a park, while others were concerned that the soil was contaminated from use of the plant.

## Children's Aid Society workers strike

Oct. 17 the Haliburton branch of the Children's Aid Society went on strike.

Following several days of negotiations between the workers and management, a decision was made to stop work.

The workers were seeking concessions on workload, job security, hours of work and layoff language.

The strike affected about 130 workers at branches in Lindsay and Peterborough as well.



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Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid employees march the picket line on Oct. 21 after five days of striking. The Haliburton office of the agency includes four staff members, who were assisted on the picket line by staff from the Peterborough and Lindsay offices.

## Four arrested in Minden homicide

Ryan Kennedy, 21, was killed Oct. 19 in a South Lake Road home near Minden around

11:45 p.m.

Four men from the GTA were charged with his murder and the attempted murder of a second person.

Tin Wai Hong, Mason Gillard-Gatza, Raphael Guerra and Nathaniel Cane were charged with first degree murder.

## Visible Voices funded for mental illness programming

Money to fund mental health programming for seniors in Haliburton County came from Bell late in October.

Through the Looking Glass, a program of Visible Voices, will be offered to those coping with depression at Hyland Crest and Highland Wood long-term-care homes in Minden and Haliburton.

Activities such as visual art, sculpture, storytelling and fibre art will be used.

Bell committed almost \$36,500 to the project from their Let's Talk Community Fund.

## Hatchery fishes for county cash

Members of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association came to county council looking for money for the hatchery Oct. 26.

The organization that maintains the Haliburton Fish Hatchery, which produces tens of thousands of fish a year, said it was running a deficit of \$27,000.

At one time, the hatchery was getting \$25,000 from the provincial government, but that amount has been reduced recently and in 2012 it appears no money will be coming from the province.

## Hawks field hockey team win COSSA

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School field hockey team earned a path to the provincial championships after beating the Crestwood Mustangs 3-0 on Oct. 27 at the Central Ontario Secondary School Association final.

The game winner came from McKenzie Hill.

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# November 2011



Riley Maracle Co-op student

Staff members of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services show off the new ECG machine, located at the Haliburton Hospital, on Oct. 28. The machine was purchased with funds raised from the celebration of Don and Sheila Popple's 45th wedding anniversary on Aug. 13.

To celebrate the occasion the Popples hosted an outdoor party at their home on Drag Lake and in lieu of gifts a total of \$14,206 was raised for the Haliburton Highland Health Services Foundation. The donations were used to fund an ECG machine, costing \$5,000, with the balance going towards the X-ray equipment. From left to right, Alisson Charlebois, Meghan Shaw (RNP), Sheila Popple, Don Popple, Dr. Greg Karaguesian, Pat Hardie (RN) and Paul Rosebush, CEO of the HHHS.

## Ross Rigney dies

Former reeve of Snowdon township and first reeve of the amalgamated Minden Hills township, Ross Rigney died Nov. 1. Rigney was 76, had publicly battled prostate cancer and had survived a stroke in the last decade.

## Field hockey team falls short at OFSAA

Despite a stellar season, the Red Hawks girls' field hockey team was unable to capture a top spot at the provincial championships.

Hosted in York Region, the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations finals ran from Nov. 3 to 5. The Hawks were defeated 3-2 by Pickering in their first game and shut out 4-0 by Oakville.

## MNR fire base likely to leave Haliburton

Algonquin Highlands council held a four-hour meeting Nov. 7 to discuss the construction of a new Ministry of Natural Resources fire base on the Stanhope Airport property.

"They're advanced enough they've had architects do a footprint on the land," Reeve Carol Moffatt said. The base is currently situated in the town of Haliburton.

## Anonymous donor pledges \$100,000 to Dysart

It was revealed that someone close to the community, but wishing to remain anonymous, had chosen to donate \$100,000 to Dysart et al.

The money will be divided amongst restoration projects including the CF100 in the sports field by the high school and the locomotive.

## Highlands Little Theatre wins provincial award

The Highlands Little Theatre company came back from the Eastern Ontario Drama League One Act Play Festival Nov. 11 and 12 with an award for supporting cast. The Helen R. McGregor Adjudicator's Award for Best Organized Group was given for the company's one-act comedy performance, *Gosforth's Fete*.

Company director Curtis Eastmure said that the award reflects the high quality of theatre produced in

Haliburton County.

## Canoe FM tops the charts

Community radio station Canoe FM brought in more revenue than ever last year with about \$240,000.

That money is spent on operating costs (about \$220,000 a year) with the rest being invested into updating and improving the reliability of broadcast equipment, software and programming.

The station's annual general meeting was held Nov. 14 with the largest attendance ever.

## Hospital approved for CT scanner

Haliburton Highlands Health Services was approved by the board of the Central East Local Health Integrated Network for the installation of a CT scanner as well as a second palliative care suite at the Haliburton Hospital.

News was delivered at the Nov. 24 board meeting.

Other approvals are still needed and the community itself must fundraise the entire cost of the equipment.

## Childhood friends share NHL ice in Denver

NHLers Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson squared off in Colorado Wednesday, Nov. 23.

It was the first time the childhood friends, both originally from Haliburton, played each other in the NHL. Duchene has been playing for the Avalanche while Hodgson started the season with the Vancouver Canucks.

"It was cool to face off against him," Hodgson said in an interview. "I always liked watching Matt [play]."



Vancouver Canucks Cody Hodgson, left, and Manny Malhotra celebrate Malhotra's goal against the Colorado Avalanche during their NHL hockey game in Denver, Colorado Nov. 23, 2011. Mark Leeingwell/Reuters.



# December 2011

## Deal reached in CAS labour dispute

The Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society and its workers reached a tentative settlement following a seven-week strike on Dec. 2.

OPSEU Local 334 represents about 120 child protection and administrative support staff at the CAS, which covers Haliburton, Lindsay and Peterborough. The workers had been without a contract since March.

## YWCA marks 25 years in county

In early December, 1986, the Peterborough YWCA expanded its service to Haliburton opening a family violence safety network outreach office.

The organization ran a six-month investigation into the need in the Highlands and found that many were in particularly bad situations.

"From the very beginning, we realized that the circumstances of women in Haliburton County were particularly dire," executive director Lynn Zimmer said.

The YWCA has since expanded services to include education work, counselling, outreach and a safe place for women fleeing violence.

## \$20,000 raised for county food banks

The community gave big to the food banks during Moose FM's 24-hour radiothon. On Dec. 8 and 9, more than \$20,000 was donated to support the county's food banks, which include the 4Cs in Haliburton and the Minden Food Bank.

## Haliburton resident scratches winner, awaits ruling

Haliburton resident Candice Youngdale scratched a winning \$100,000 INSTANT Crossword lottery ticket.

Because her sister is an employee of an Ontario Lottery and Gaming retail location, the OLG must go through an investigation before the money is awarded to Youngdale.

The ticket was purchased at Haliburton Foodland.

## Three women awarded Guardian Angel Awards



Jenn Watt Staff

Carl Dixon, left, sings Joy in the Morning off his new CD, Snow, with Sue and Freyja MacDonald, Harry Morgan and Bethany Houghton at McKecks Dec. 15, 2011.

On the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women, the YWCA gave out special awards to women in the community who fight for equality. Marilynne Lesperance, Carla Watson and Jane van Nood were all honoured in a special ceremony at Fleming College Dec. 6.

## Farmers' market coming to Haliburton

The Haliburton County Farmers' Market will be making its home in Haliburton for a portion of the 2012 season.

Representatives of the market association presented the idea to council Dec. 5. The market will run in the fall on Fridays from Sept. 7 to Oct. 5 at Rotary Park.

## Hit and run leaves 20-year-old in hospital

According to family members, Alex Trueman, 20, was hit by a car outside of the Northwood Bar in Haliburton after he tried to walk home after a night with friends.

"I suspect he was hit near the end of the Northwood's driveway because the condition he's in he couldn't have made it very far," Alex's mother Peggy told the paper. Alone at the time, Alex crawled back to the bar at which point someone found him in the parking lot and called 911.

He suffered a collapsed lung and several broken ribs and was sent to St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto.

## Fearrey becomes warden for 11th time

Tough economic times were the theme of the inaugural county council meeting. Councillors chose Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey to lead the group through 2012 as warden at a special ceremony Dec. 13. Many of the current county councillors are new to their roles and it was felt Fearrey had the experience to steer the ship during the difficult financial climate.

## Hodgson fulfills childhood promise

When he was in Grade 1, Vancouver Canucks centre Cody Hodgson made a promise to his teacher.

When he made the NHL, he'd give her a ticket to come see him. True to his word, Hodgson called up former Victoria Street school teacher Laraine Forgrave and invited her to a Canucks vs. Leafs game in Toronto Dec. 17.

"Honestly, I was just blown away and felt pretty special and humbled," Forgrave told the *Echo* of the experience.

## Highways to Fairways signs deal

Portfolio Entertainment, a Canadian production and distribution company, agreed in early December to represent the TV duo Charlie Teljeur and Wayne Greer in *Highways to Fairways*. The golf show, which is more about the pair's friendship and their love of the sport than skill in the game, now has more opportunity to be signed and financed by a TV network.

"Christmas kind of came early for us. It's a really big deal for us," Greer told the paper.

## Haliburton says goodbye to chapter of Order of the Eastern Star

After 66 years in Haliburton, the local chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star closed its doors.

The organization has been meeting in the county since Sept. 12, 1945 with the first meeting at the Orange Hall. The group found that there were not enough participants to fill all the essential positions and has amalgamated with the Fenelon Falls chapter.

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# Remembering 2011



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Red Hawks senior Nordic skier Josh Wright drives to the finishline after his second lap at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics final, as hosted by the Glebe Park in Haliburton on Feb. 22.



Chad Ingram Staff

The OPP Golden Helmets precision motorcycle team was a huge attraction at Colourfest, drawing hundreds of spectators to downtown Haliburton.



Darren Lum Staff

A Red Hawks senior player pushes on the sled during practice on Thursday, Sept. 15. The senior squad was missing many players who graduated, but still had strong players to build around for a successful season.



Darren Lum Staff

The Haliburton Highlanders Pipes & Drums led the parade of close to 100 people, which included veterans, service men and women and other dignitaries to the cenotaph during the Remembrance Day Ceremony Friday, Nov. 11.



# Morrison tournament to honour Canadian troops

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

This year's upcoming fourth annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament is honouring the Canadian Military and will include the appearance of the Stanley Cup.

Hosted at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena in Minden and the Dysart Arena in Haliburton, the tournament boasts hundreds of players vying for top-spot in a variety of divisions to help raise money for Community Care Haliburton County, which helps seniors and adults with disabilities.

The three-day event (Feb. 3 to 5) starts with Scotty's Charity Dinner on Friday, featuring two-time Stanley Cup winner Mark Napier, as guest speaker, and Hockey Hall of Fame inductee, Bryan Lewis, as MC held at the Minden Community Centre; a meet and greet with Canadian soldiers and an opportunity to see the Stanley Cup on the next day at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton, and is followed by the evening exhibition game between the Canadian Forces Bases hockey teams from Petawawa and Borden, which will include a few NHL alumni players on both rosters and former NHL officials such as Ray Scapinello officiating at the Dysart Arena, starting at 7 p.m.

For Scotty Morrison, the man that the tournament is named after, honouring the military this year made sense for several reasons.

Last year, the national amputee team included one soldier who had seen his world change when he lost his leg in combat, but had it restored by hockey, finding his verve for life because of the game. Napier, who has made the trip

several times, and Hall of Fame referee Lewis both visited Canadian troops in Afghanistan, seeing the soldiers making efforts towards creating peace. Morrison's long-time good friend Bill Beagan had 13 year career with the Canadian Forces before becoming an NHL referee and then held a variety of administrative posts for professional and amateur hockey leagues.

"This all ties in nicely together and I thought here is an opportunity to just recognize the [Canadian Forces]," he said, adding it was also time for a change to the event.

Event organizer Hilary Elia of Community Care Haliburton County, who has a personal connection with her older brother, David Morrin, serving with the British Forces, said this is the first time in three years the event will not have the Canadian Amputee hockey team square off against an Ontario Provincial Police hockey team in the special exhibition game on Saturday night.

"We've been honoured to have the amputee team and the OPP for the last three years and we just wanted to change it up a little bit.

"This year we felt it was poignant to honour the military because they're pulling out of Afghanistan," Elia said. "We can't thank the troops enough. There are connections here with Remembrance Day and the troops coming in from the different areas. It's really just a wonderful day to say thank you and a lot of our clients have also served in the military in the Second World War. We still have a lot of them obviously alive that we're servicing now. I think it will be important for them to feel that they're remembered and honoured."

There is currently communication with area Legions to expand this multi-day event to include more features in the same time frame.

The soldiers and the Stanley Cup will be available between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Haliburton Legion.

Elia said admission to the game is by donation to enable everyone the opportunity attend.

With all of the features, Morrison hopes the focus for the event isn't lost.

"What we don't want to lose sight of is that the whole purpose of the tournament is as a fundraiser for Community Care and that's the whole thrust behind it," Morrison said. "We all know what a good job Community Care does for Haliburton County. It is one of the major fundraisers for Community Care. That part in of itself makes it pretty important."

Proceeds from the event benefit local residents serviced by the Community Care Haliburton County, which includes the provision of the Meals on Wheels and Diner's Club, as well as assistance with home maintenance, home help, friendly visiting, social recreation and transportation, to name a few.

Morrison adds the success of this event is owed in large part to the support from the tournament participants to the corporate sponsorship by the business community.

He learned first-hand the importance of services provided by Community Care when he was the sole caregiver for his dying wife years ago.

Morrison said being one of two trustees at the Hockey Hall of Fame helped to influence the decision to bring the cup to the county Saturday.

Sponsorship is available for the event by contacting Elia directly at [hilary@communitycarehaliburton.com](mailto:hilary@communitycarehaliburton.com).

For additional information or registration see [communitycarehaliburton.com](http://communitycarehaliburton.com) and [grasscreekhockey.com](http://grasscreekhockey.com)



## Seeing is believing

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation received a donation of \$4,981 from the Realtors Care Foundation. All of the real estate agents in the Muskoka and Haliburton area donate to the Realtors Care Foundation, so the association decided to make an application in September to the RCF to support the three hospital organizations in the Muskoka and Haliburton area. All three received \$4,981. This donation supports the Seeing is Believing Campaign to raise \$300,000 to fund new X-ray machines at the Haliburton and Minden Hospitals. To date \$175,000 has been raised.

Back row from left, Peter Oyler, HHHSF chair, Don Popple, HHHSF campaign co-chair, Paul Rosebush, HHHS CEO, Rick Forget, realtor, Andrew Hodgson, realtor, Dale Walker, HHHSF executive director. Front row from left, Tom Wilkinson, realtor, Dagmar Boettcher, realtor, Larry VanLieshout, realtor.

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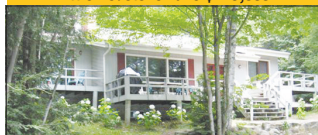
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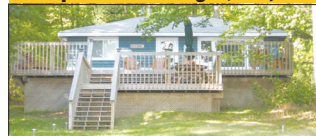
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# Red Hawks curlers qualify for Kawartha

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

It wasn't perfect, but the Pottier rink will have plenty of time to improve after advancing to the Kawartha championships with a second place finish at the Kawartha qualifier hosted at the Lindsay Curling Club on Dec. 14 and Dec. 22.

The team that is comprised of Grade 11s Laura Pottier, skip, Emily Shapiera, second, Sydney David, lead, Holly Broderick, lead, (both alternate as leads) and Grade 9 Alex Casper, vice, represent the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks.

Their ability to finish out the tournament with a convincing win against the I.E. Weldon Secondary School Wildcats (10-5) secured them the second place finish in a field of five schools to earn a berth (one of four) to the Kawartha finals at the Lindsay Curling Club on Feb. 9 and Feb. 15.

Teacher coach Kathy Hutson, who defers the bulk of the coaching duties to Scotty Boyd, said this last tournament win was her highlight, as the team scored four points in the fourth end and added five more in the sixth end. The Wildcats conceded the loss at the end of the sixth. The Red Hawks finished with a 2-2 tournament record in a field of teams that included I.E. Weldon, Fenelon Falls Secondary School, St. Mary's, and Cambellford.

The team curls out of the Minden Curling Club and is coached by Scotty Boyd, who believes there is potential to not only advance past Kawartha and win the Central



**This team, I feel, has the potential to qualify for COSSA and eventually for OFSAA. Only the top team in COSSA goes on. Last year we were second in COSSA but the girls have a great opportunity to go on if they play up to their potential.**

— Scotty Boyd

Ontario Secondary School Athletics (COSSA) championship, but also win it all.

"This team, I feel, has the potential to qualify for COSSA and eventually for OFSAA. Only the top team in COSSA goes on. Last year we were second in COSSA but the girls have a great opportunity to go on if they play up to their potential," Boyd said.

Returning from last year's team are Pottier, Broderick and Shapiera, who were successful in capturing a Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship silver.

"Between now and the Kawartha Finals, we will be tweaking deliveries, weight control and sweeping, etc. We always reinforce the basics and certainly go over game situations to improve our strategies," he said, adding the team has been getting more game time by regularly competing in the Monday Night Ladies' league hosted at the Minden Curling Club.

The coaching staff includes Michele Shapiera.

Tournament breakdown

Wed. Dec. 14

1st game against FFSS – win

2nd game against St. Mary's (Cobourg) – loss

– tied after eight ends

– draw to the button (measure to see who was closest for win) by a member of each team

Thurs. Dec. 22

1st game against Campbellford (last year's COSSA champs) – 8-5 loss

2nd game against IEWSS (Lindsay) – 10-5 win

– Weldon concedes after 6 ends



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# A very happy un-New Year to you

Maybelle's



**Fireside stories**

Why, there's one thing you can always depend on ... a New Year showing up. That's right. Every year it's the same old thing ... 12 months go by and then, WHAM! It's time for a new calendar. Now, why we have to keep changing the date on everything is beyond me. I'd just as soon keep writing the same ol' year on all of my stuff. But I don't think the tax man would like that or the banks for that matter. Why to them: "Time is MONEY." To ol' Maybelle,

money has NOTHING to do with it. Time is about being in the moment ... doing things you love to do with people you love doing them with. That's what time means to me and I'm sticking to it, don'tcha know.

So when I saw another New Year aiming its ugly head at me, I decided to do something about it. I invited my closest friends to my Un-New-Year's-Eve party to un-celebrate! Why, I was happy as a bee in a butter tart when Vilma Yucch, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, Twindle Mum-

bly, Beanpole Starkman and Sybil Beaucannon-Hughes showed up wearing T-shirts that read: Time, shmime. Let's dance!

And we did. In every room of my one room cottage.

Drums came out as if from the ether. Then little shakers. Real pretty hand-carved wooden sticks. A cow bell. All kinds of maracas. Even goats toes. No kidding. They were strung together and when you'd shake them, they made the happiest little rattling sound.

Beanpole started it. He grabbed a conga drum and got a beat going. Then Vilma picked up a "thumb piano" ... a little instrument made of flattened nails that makes a whimsical PLINK, PLINK sound when you stroke them with your thumbs, don'tcha know.

Why before we knew it, the whole cottage was pulsating like Jerry Lee Lewis. It was the first time I saw Twindle smile so broadly his upper lip disappeared into his nostrils making his gums look like red wrap-around licorice.

That's when the dancing started. And guess who was the first one up twirling like a Whirling Dervish? Yep. Bogart. Our very own dancing bear right here in Lake Whaddyat-hinklmean.

Then Vilma got up with her honey, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom. And before we knew it ... time flew by like it never existed. And that's my point. We weren't celebrating anything more than just being in the moment where

calendars don't exist. Where there are no clocks or wrist watches or timers of any kind. Where you're absolutely free of anything and everything on a to-do list. Free. Free. Free. Free. Free.

By the time the dancing stopped, it was already past midnight. We were 300 breaths into a new year ... and like I said ... Time, shmime, we were dancing.

And that's what I wish for you, right now...and every day for as long as you can ... DANCE. And if you can't dance with your legs ... then dance with your eyes ... dance with your heart ... dance with your smile and dance with the biggest warmest hug you can give.

So, a very happy un-New Year to you from ol' Maybelle, Bogart, and all the folks here in Lake Whaddyat-hinklmean!

*Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Listen to Fireside Stories from Lake Whaddyathinklmean on 100.9 Canoe FM the second Sunday the month just after 5 p.m. during Afternoon Delight.*

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This group photography exhibition opens January 5 at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden. The exhibition studies the power of photography and its role as a way of documentation and, possibly, alteration of what is real. Photographers Ryan Szulc and Darren Lum will speak about this body of work, with curator Laurie Carmount, on January 14 at 1:30pm. [www.mindenculturalcentre.com](http://www.mindenculturalcentre.com)

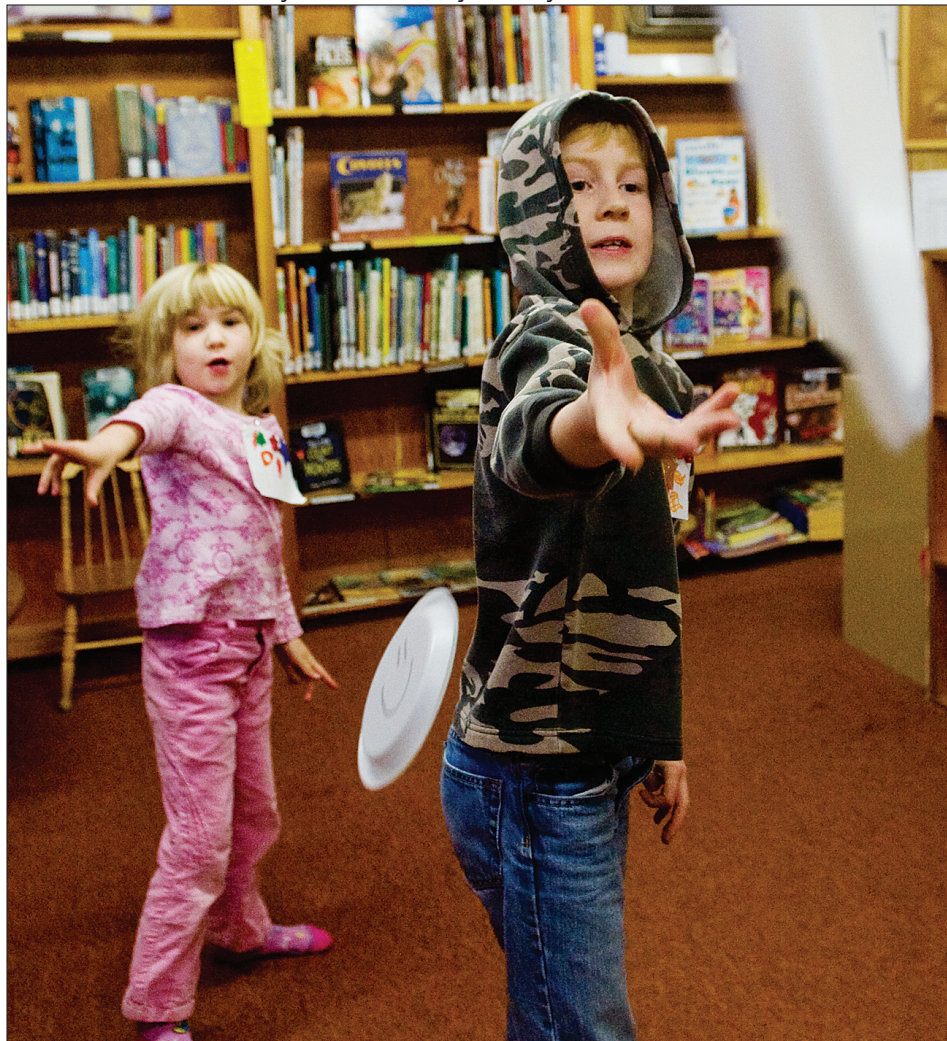


## EVIDENCE

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January 5—February 25 Agnes Jamieson Gallery  
176 Bobcaygeon Road Minden \$2 per person Tues-Sat 10am to 5pm





From left, siblings Michael Rogers, 7, right, and sister Stephanie, 4, do their best impression of a discus athlete; six-year-old Destiny Storey watches her attempt head to the pins, as Roberta Walsh, who was with her grandchildren; (next page, top left) Michael uses a straw to blow his ball during a library event. More information next page with photo. Photos this and next page by Darren Lum


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# Let the games begin

*Olympic fever hits Wilberforce*



Darren Lum Echo staff


Six-year-old Destiny Storey, left, of Wilberforce throws her dart, as Michael Rogers, 7, and sister Stephanie, 4, wait their turns during the free Jolly Holiday Fun event, which was based on the Olympics, complete with information and indoor games held at the Wilberforce Library on Friday, Dec. 30. This was part of The Haliburton County Public Library efforts, offering indoor activities for the holiday. This week the Holiday Fun event will be at the Dysart Library on Wednesday, Jan. 4; Minden library on Thursday, Jan. 5 and Stanhope Library on Friday, Jan. 6. Snowy Day Storytime for Small Tots will be from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. (five and under) and Snow Days and Crafty Ways (years 6 – 9) 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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# Mother Nature covers the Highlands

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## Municipality of Dysart et al Adult Skating



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**to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: [www.haliburtonecho.ca](http://www.haliburtonecho.ca)**

**OEYC Minden & Haliburton** will be December 21, re-opening on January 9. Starting January 2012, we will open at 9 am and close at 12:30 pm.

**Jan 5 – Feb 25 Evidence** at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden Opening reception Saturday, January 14 at 1pm This is a group exhibition featuring photographers Ryan Szulc and Darren Lum exploring the role of photography today. Is the ultimate role of photography to document? Does society hold it as the true witness of our time? How much do we trust it? If it has become abused by technology is it just 'eye-candy' or is this what we as a society will be historically known as? This exhibition moves from shocking to stark realities that pull the viewer through a myriad of emotions. Laurie Carmount curator, 705-286-3763 [galler@mindenhills.ca](mailto:galler@mindenhills.ca), [www.mindenculturalcentre.com](http://www.mindenculturalcentre.com)

**Jan 11: The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** is meeting at 1 pm at the Stanhope Community Centre featuring a trunk show by Judith Cole. If you wish to make placemats or wonky coasters come prepared at 10 am. For information call Pat Stiver (705) 489-3751

**Jan 15 : Razzamataz Kids Shows!** – Motus O Dance Theatre presents "Circus Terrifico" 2:00 pm- Northern Lights Pavilion We meet 3 circus performers boarding the train to their next show. A case of vanishing tickets, however, thwarts their plans and strands them on the platform. It takes every trick in the book (and their suitcases) to create an impromptu show to raise money for new tickets. Performed with the signature Motus O physicality and humour, see for yourself how a little magic, some juggling, tight-rope walking and fortune-telling can fulfill every child's fantasy to 'run off and join the circus'  
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**Jan 28 - March 17: Opening reception** Saturday January 28 2-4 pm SCENE/SEEN in Haliburton: Rails End Gallery Members' Salon Exhibition Enjoy the "Haliburton scene" and check out this group exhibition in the salon style. Cast your vote for the Peoples Choice Award and see work by over 50 talented local artists in a wide range of media. Gallery hours Wed – Sat 11-5 23 York St. Haliburton Village [www.railsendgallery.com](http://www.railsendgallery.com) 457-2330

**Jan 30: Haliburton Blood Donor Clinic** located at Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Br.129 from 12:30pm – 6:30pm Call 1-888-2 Donate to book your appointment Please note location can change please confirm location when booking your appointment

• **Highland's Hand weavers & Spinners Guild** meet at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm For more information call Marian Gillanders at 705-489-3574

• **Toast Masters** meet at the Minden United Church Wednesdays at 7pm Everyone Welcome ages 18 – 80

• **Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636** The public is invited to enjoy a great lunch menu at the Minden Legion (corner of Hwy #35 and County Rd. #21) from Monday to Friday with a meat draw every Wednesday at noon and speciality fish & chips on the fourth Friday of each month. Every Friday evening we also offer a great fish & chip dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be emailed to [jmceathron@mindentimes.ca](mailto:jmceathron@mindentimes.ca) or brought in to the office.

**Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.**

**NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area.** Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.



# Santa visits Highland Wood

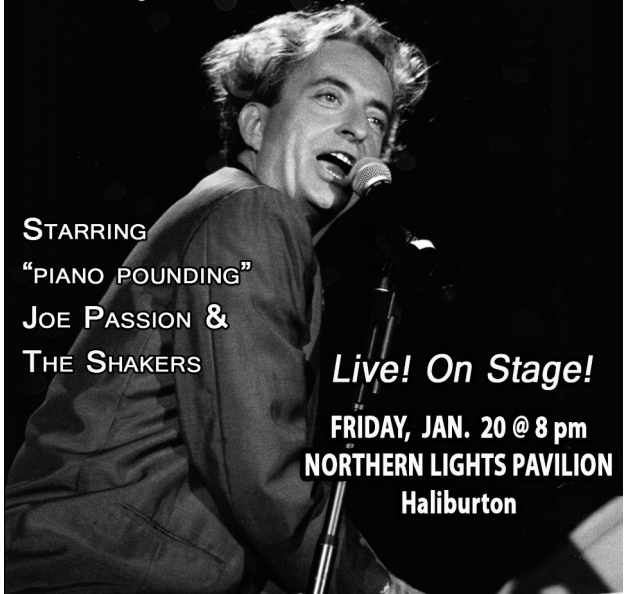


Santa came to visit the residents of Highland Wood on Dec. 22 as he was too busy to visit them on Christmas Day but some of his precious little elves weren't too busy to drop by. Several Highland Wood long-term care staff donned their elf costumes and shared the Christmas spirit visiting each resident on Christmas Day with songs and cheer delivering special Christmas gifts from Santa to each of the residents.

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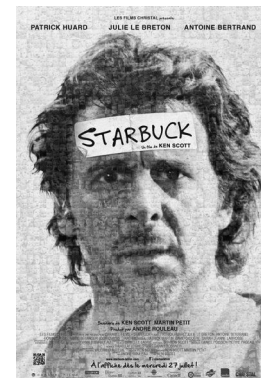
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## HALIBURTON MOVIE NIGHTS

Thursday, Jan 12/12:

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Coming next.... Thursday, Feb 9/12: **MIDNIGHT IN PARIS**

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# Gas tanks need filling all the time

**Kelly Williams**  
QMI Agency

Running on empty isn't good for your body or your bank account and it isn't good for your vehicle's gas tank either.

I always recommend not letting a gas tank go below a half or quarter full. However, many people say they wait for the gas light to come on before they put gas in their vehicle. There are a number of reasons why this isn't a good idea.

In the wintertime, there is the obvious: what if there is a big snowstorm or a crash that closes the highway on which you're driving, resulting in our being stuck for hours and requiring us to keep the vehicles running in

order to keep warm? This exact situation happened just before Christmas on a major highway between London and Sarnia.

A second reason for not letting your gas tank level go low has to do with condensation in your tank. If there is enough condensation, it could freeze in your gas lines. Condensation accumulates in your tank for a number of reasons, the main one "sweating", created by the low level of fuel more open air space.

The third reason has to do with your fuel pump. Back when I raced, the fuel pump was attached to the engine. Nowadays, in most vehicles the fuel pump is located in the gas tank and can be an expensive repair if it fails. If you are one of those people always running on empty or close to it, the fuel pump sits exposed, which makes it run hotter than normal, susceptible to premature damage

and, ultimately, failure. At one of my car clinics, one lady told me she used to coast into gas stations and that she had changed her fuel pump twice but didn't know why. Now she knows.

Sometimes, rather than filling the tank completely, we may even be tempted to only pump in \$10 or \$20 worth, especially around the holiday season when our pocket books are empty, credit cards are maxed out and it's too cold to pump gas for too long. Depending on your current tank state, this may or may not be sufficient.

So the next time you are tempted to wait for the gas light to come on or to only put \$10 in the tank, think about how this could impact your life. Will you end up stranded on the highway? Or, will it be costing you hundreds of dollars to fix something that could have been avoided?

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## Accident caused power outage on Boxing Day

**Wilberforce**

Hilda Clark

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From all reports Christmas celebrations were good for everyone. Though families seem to be scattered across the country and beyond it remains a joyful time. One appreciates the hospitality of good friends and family members. And we here in the Highlands did have a little snow for Christmas. How splendid the scenery with the mid-week storm.

This area experienced a power outage for a couple of hours on Boxing Day afternoon. It apparently was the result of an accident. For those without generators or back up wood stoves it was good that it was a mild day and repairs were made quickly.

The program at the local library on Friday sounded like a lot of fun. Hope lots of children attended.

Best wishes that 2012 will be a year during which you are blessed with good friends and have lots of love and laughter in your life.



### ATV association bridges the gap

Haliburton ATV Association volunteers have just completed installing the decking for a new bridge on the trail running between Sedgwick Road and Hospitality Road. Once the MNR office issued a work permit, HATVA engaged a local contractor who undertook the bulk of the work for this \$10,000 plus project. This ATV and snowmobile trail is a vital link between Minden and the Haliburton County Rail Trail. Photo by Mark Johnson

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## It was a happy Christmas all around

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It was happy Christmas time here with our daughter Beth and husband Paul Zuwala home from St. Catharines. In all a table of nine around our festive dinner.

Jim and Margaret Milne spent a few days with their son Paul and Jody in Cambridge over the holiday.

The Perry Morrisons entertained their family, Nora and Steve Lay, Jean, Gerald and Barb and family during the Christmas week.

My sister, Mavis Swiston, was here for a few days prior to Christmas and joined in the services at St. George's, the carol singing on Christmas Eve and in the morning as well.

Of course, lots of music here, this time it included Kathleen's and my piano duet: *The Arrival of Santa Claus*, as well as the fiddle, mandolin and Earl's hands to Kathleen's expert chording accompaniment.

Grenville and Ila Griffin's 50th wedding anniversary happened Dec. 30. More to that in next week's column.

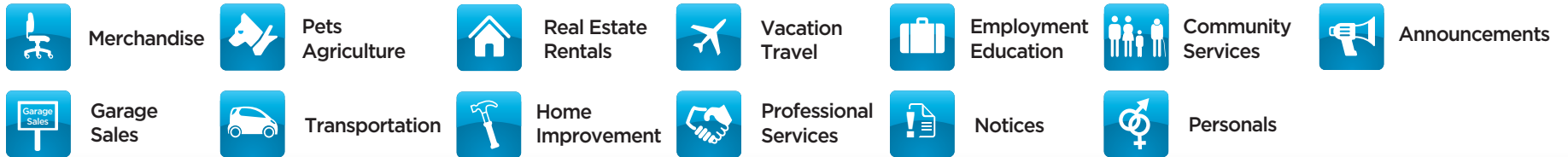
Brenda Cowen has been with her sister, Marilyn Gibbon during the past weeks, but Marilyn is at present in hospital in Haliburton. Visits there would be appreciated, (when possible, see front page).

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I wish to thank everyone who attended both surprise birthday bashes on Saturday December 17/2011. My 50th couldn't have been better. Also special thanks to those who sent the extra special birthday cards. I will use them wisely. Even though one knows something will happen at this milestone it was a total surprise and why I didn't clue in is beyond me. Once again. Thank you everyone.  
Dan Linkert

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On behalf of the SANTA FUND, I would like to thank Lynne Waugh and all her elves for their help again this year.  
-The Station 4 Highlands East Fire Department for sharing this event with us again this year.  
-The Township for the use of the building.  
-The Figure Skating Club for proving refreshments.  
-Tammy Donaldson for taking Santa pictures for all the families.  
-To Joan Barton and Danny Linkert for taking over and putting on a great parade without you it would not have happened.  
-To all the Business, Organizations, and Individuals that so generously donated to our Santa Fund this year.

And a special THANK YOU SANTA for taking time out of your busy schedule once again to come and see us.

Merry Christmas and All The Best IN 2012

~ Roberta Walsh ~

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## Deaths

**BILLINGS, Vincent C.** - Peacefully was called home to his maker at the Haliburton Hospital on December 24, 2011 surrounded by his family, following a short but valiant battle with cancer. Vince leaves behind his beloved partner of 45 years Tiia. He will be greatly missed by his children; Glenn, Richard and his wife Shelley, Margaret and her husband David, Robert, Gregg, Maureen, Grant and partner Cheryl, Robbyn and her husband Gary, and by his many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Fondly remembered by his sisters, brothers, their families, as well as his many friends. At Vince's request, there will be no public visitation or service and cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) would be appreciated and can be arranged through the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.** P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0  
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## Deaths

**CARBONE, Randy Paul** - After a valiant battle with COPD, on Monday December 26th, 2011 in his 69th year. Beloved husband and best friend of Mary Haskins, and the late Joy Carbone. Randy will be lovingly remembered by his children Laureen, Randy Jr. and Cathy, his step children Brenda and Kim, and sadly missed by his grandchildren Tyrus, Sienna, Romaeo, Steven, Amy, Cassie, Brandon and Aiden. Survived by his sister Marlene (John) Bortolussi, and several nieces and nephews. Former owner of Wiley Street Auto Service, and Automotive Professor at Niagara College, Wellandvale Campus. Randy was a proud member of Knights of Columbus, and an Usher of St. Anthony of Padua, Haliburton. He enjoyed his time volunteering with Special Needs Scouts. Randy will be forever remembered for his wit and sense of humour. Family and friends will be received at the **GEORGE DARTE FUNERAL CHAPEL**, 585 Carlton Street, on Thursday December 29, 2011 from 6-9 p.m. Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated at St. Alfred's Church on Friday at 11 a.m. with cremation to follow. Private family inurnment will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations made to the Children's Wish Foundation would be appreciated by his family. On-Line Guest Book - www.georgedartefuneralhome.com



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**DEL GRECO, James Wesley** - (Veteran WWII RCAF) - Peacefully at Haliburton Highlands Hospital on Saturday December 24, 2011. James "Jim" Del Greco in his 95th year, dearly beloved husband of Marjorie "Marge" Lampard. Loving father of Peter and Muriel of Woodstock, Carolyn and Bob of Tottenham, and Jim and Wendy of Thornton. Remembered with love by his grandchildren: Kim (Toni), Angela, Tracey, Lisa, Jayme, and seven great-grandchildren. The family received friends at **ROD ABRAMS FUNERAL HOME**, 1666 Tottenham Road, Tottenham 905-936-3477 from 1 pm Thursday December 29, 2011 until time of Legion service at 2:45pm. Funeral service followed in the chapel at 3pm. Interment Fraser Presbyterian Cemetery. Donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family. www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com

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## Deaths

**PHILLIPS, Dolores June (nee McGrath)** - Passed away at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Tuesday, December 27, 2011. In her 81st year. Beloved wife of the late Bill Phillips. Dear mother of Kim of Haliburton, Kevin of Toronto and Steve Tanner of Hamilton. Loving grandma of Stephanie, Warren and Raven. Dear sister of Ross (deceased), Barbara and Ivan. Fondly remembered by her nieces and nephews. Friends are invited to a Memorial Service at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P. O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Friday, January 6, 2012 at 1:00 pm. Cremation has taken place. Memorial Donations to the Arthritis Society would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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## In memoriam

In loving memory of **Robert "Bob" Hayward** who passed away on January 4th 2009

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Since you were called away  
So many things to share with you  
Had you been left to stay  
Memories of you come our way;  
Though absent, you are ever near,  
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~ Betty and Family ~

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## Deaths



**SCOTT, Archie Edward** - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, December 22, 2011 at the age of 87, after a courageous 3 year battle with prostate cancer. Beloved husband of Viola Scott for almost 60 years. Dearly loved father of Debra Scott (Roger) of Gooderham, Wayne Thompson (Tanis) of Cannington, Sandi Martyn of Aurora and predeceased by daughter Sheila Bennett (1996). Sadly missed by grandchildren Cynthia Martyn, Tanya and Tammy Thompson, Jennifer, Jody, Julie and Jordanna Graham, as well as 5 great grandchildren. Loving brother to Ev Stata of Haliburton, and predeceased by brothers John, and Ben, by sister Selina Adams, as well as by half brother and sister Norm Scott and Leita Sisson. We will all miss Poppa's teasing, his loving support, his music, and his immense pride in all of us. We are so very proud of you Poppa! Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Tuesday, December 27, 2011 from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. Funeral Service will be held in the Chapel on Wednesday, December 28, 2011 at 1:00 pm. Spring Interment at the Maple Lake United Church Cemetery, Maple Lake. Memorial Donations to the Prostate Cancer Canada or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF X-Ray Fund) would be appreciated by the family. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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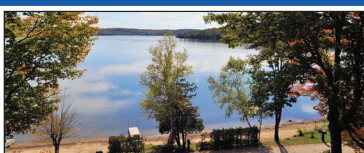
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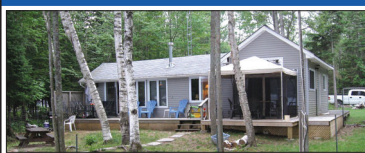
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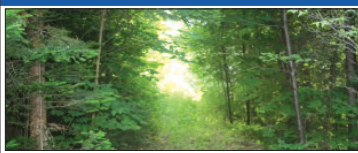
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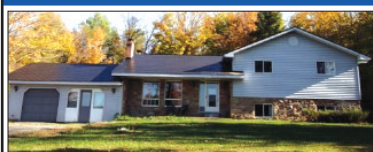
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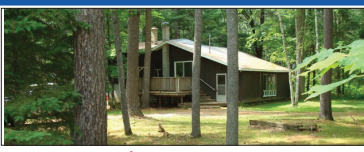
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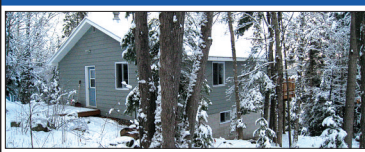
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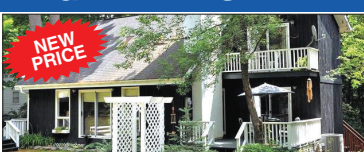
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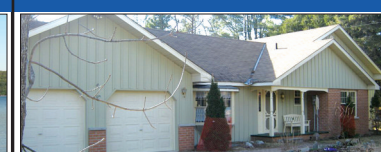
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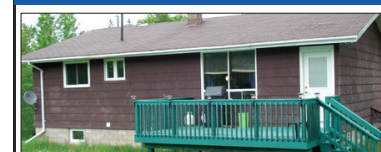


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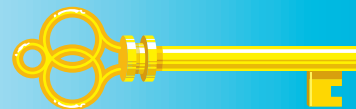
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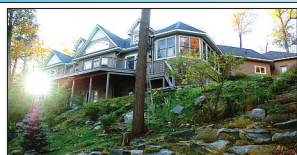
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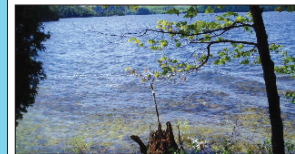
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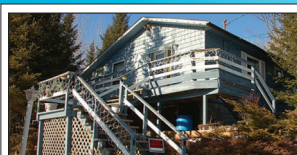
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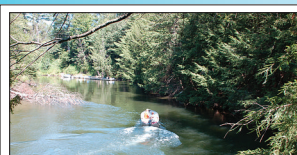
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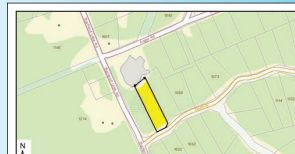
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